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SAMUELS A MYTH, SO SAYS

Richard W. Thompson, The Brilliant Author of

"Phases of Washington Life" Recently Published in The Freeman—He Discourseth Joculary of the Man.

EDITOR THE FREEMAN.

I have read, not without interest, entertainment and amusement the communication published in your issue of July 13, proporting to emanate from one, J. B. Samuels, and whose alleged residence is No. 209 Alaska avenue, this city, in the course of which he takes exceptions to some remarks, statistics, etc., contained in the recent series of sketches, called "Phases of Washington Life." At first flush I was inclined to feel very sorry for myself for being so easily taken in and done for by the "irresponsible gobblers" and "inconsiderate babblers" of this magnificant city, but my cloud soon became illumined by a silver lining. Not claiming infallibility in either the procurement or statement of information upon divers subjects, my heart bubbled over with joy and exultation that at last a "second Daniel had come to judgement, and henceforth, beneath his shattering erudition, my intellectual wanderings would be confined to the straight and narrow way. I enthusiastically shook hands with myself over this most happy discovery. What mattered it henceforth if Tom, Dick or Harry should proceed to fill my guileless cranium with misinformation and ruthlessly impose upon the credulity of youth? What booted it that a blinding simoom from Sahara's scorching plain of criticism should sweep athwart my path—Providence had conjured up from the depths this man "Samuels"—a compendium of knowledge, to be my guide, philosopher and friend!

Naturally, I wanted to find my benefactor, whose scintillating genius had brought to me such untold quantities of sweetness and light. But, woe is me! I am forced to recall that:

Ever thus from childhood's happy hour.
 I've seen my fondest hopes decay;
I never loved a tree or flower,
 But 'twas the first to fade away.

In short, Mr. Samuels proves to be a myth, a barren ideality. He is without a local habitation or a name. An exhaustive search along the highways and by-ways of Washington, diligent inquiry among all classes and conditions of mankind, and a careful examination of city directories for three years back confirmed my direst apprehensions. No such person as "J. B. Samuels" exists in this vicinity. A visit to the office of the city engineer developed that frigid "Alaska" had not yet been included in the avenue or street nomenclature of Washington. It is evident that someone has been abusing the editorial courtesy of your worthy journal to exploit alleged facts, of which he dare not claim authorship, in propria persona, and under the virtuous guise of "Dr. Jekyll" conceal the tortuous designs of "Mr. Hyde. This frenzied love of race and spasmodic devotion to historical accuracy is a time worn subterfuge to cloak political mendacity.

Not to be discourteous or unparliamentary I will refrain from imputing to the writer any dishonest motives, either in his matter or methods of presenting it. It is probable that he has unconsciously deceived himself by the same ingenious, but misleading array of half truths and irrelevant facts that he has now strung together for the purpose of defending his assumptions, leading the unwary into the same error. The argument, fair enough upon its face, smacks suspiciously of a disgruntled politician, who, having been reduced in rank or dismissed from the public service, seeks revenge by pilloring the Cleveland administration on the question of Negro patronage. He goes a long distance out of his way to pick a quarrel over a few unconsidered trifles.

Nothing has been further from my purpose than the discussion of partisan politics, and no utterance in anyone of the sketches can be fairly construed as a defence of one administration or a reflection upon another. Were I inclined to go into the comparision business a few might be mentioned which "Mr. Samuels" failed to note. I do not engage in political or other arguments with anonymous correspondents.

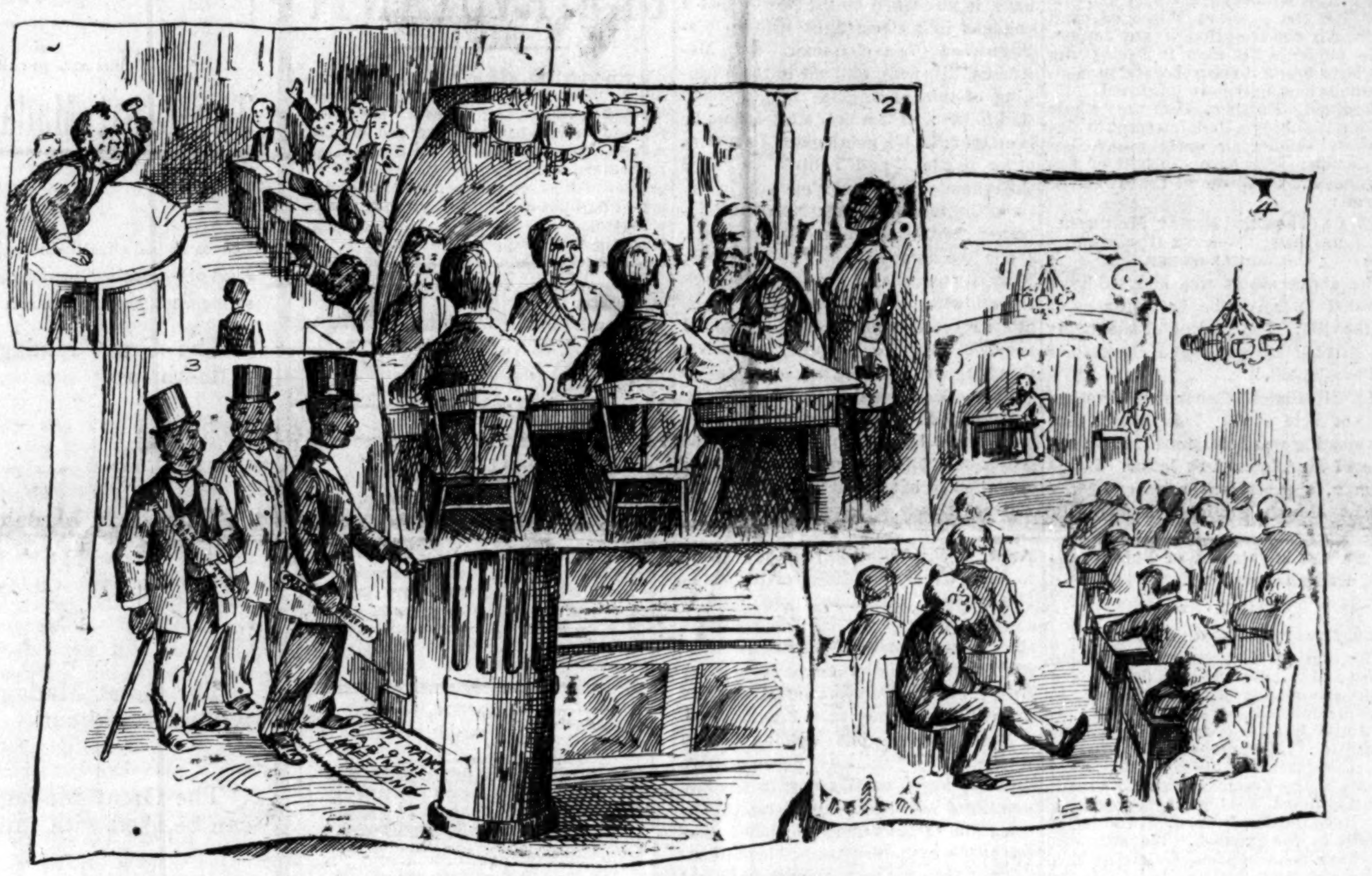
The articles presented have aimed to illustrate the various phases of character observed in the Nation's Capitol, and to deal with conditions and tendencies, rather than with dry, text-book statistics. Figures have been used incidentally to verify conclusions, and in many cases could not be other than approximate. The work was on the broad, free lines of the charcoal sketch, rather than the particularity of the steel engraving. It has endeavored to eschew offensive personalities to avoid useless antagonisms and to deal as fully and impartially with every phase as space and data would permit. It has sought to steer clear of the too prevalent tendency to use a publishers columns to coddle frienes, to punish enemies, or to manufacture partisan thunder, at the expense of truth and justice. I had no motive beyond giving to the public a production that might deserve Mr. Samuels' polite comment of being "readable, entertaining, amusing," and perhaps instructive. The matters contained therein is the result of personal observation, and of numerous conversations, etc., with such "irresponsible gobblers" as several of the leading ministers, teachers, doctors, lawyers, government officials, literary and social lights, who can be found when needed, together with facts and figures from printed reports of undoubted authenticity. Since the appearance of the "Samuels" brochure I took the pains to confer with prominent officials of the the Civil Service Commission, the Interior, the post office, the treasury and other departments and the information given out does not require the withdrawal or modification of any statement made. The few natural inaccuracies in minor particulars are, to again quote the generous "Mr. Samuels," of "no consequence." In fine were I inclined to regard the issue of sufficient importance to consider seriously the absurd charges preferred by the writer against the administration and the hysterical alarm he feels over several other matters wholly irrelevant to his contention, proof is not wanting to establish that his sensational mathematics are as bogus as his name, and as visionary as his place of residence. His census of colored employes of March 4, 1895, is worse than guess work and the deception painfully transparent to anyone familiar with the difficulties surrounding such compilations.

It is my general rule, Mr. Editor, as it is yours to ignore anonymous letters, and I refer to this one simply to warn those who may perchance accept it as a legitimate effusion. Life is too short and space is too valuable to go into the details of a political wrangle, the conclusion of which must inevitably remain a matter of individual opinion, especially when the complainant is merely a "man of straw" Unless "Mr. Samuels" sees fit to come out of ambush and give legitimacy to his production I cannot pay any further attention to him. To dignify guerilla tactics by serious argument, would be an offense against good taste and journalistic ethics.

I am willing to rest the case with the so-called "irresponsible gobblers," to whom reference has been made, and leave to the gentle reader familiar with Washington life to decide which evidence is the more worthy of credence. Upon one side are the many, known and respected; upon the other, one lone, lorn nonentity, too uncertain of his claims to contend for them in the open field. The choice is easy.

To the kind friends here, and elsewhere, who have taken occasion to speak in commendatory terms of the humble offering on the "Phases of Washington Life," and who correctly divined the motives which impelled me to the pleasurable task, I tender assurances of the most sincere appreciation.

Fraternally,
R. W. THOMPSON,
No. 36, H street, N. W., Washington, D. C.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ENTRANCE TO THE CABINET MEETING

SOMEWHAT IN THE PROSPECTIVE.

Our readers will observe our artist has reproduced a scene, to transpire something over a year and a half from this time, in the city of Washington, Cleveland and baby Ruth having left the city for parts unknown. Note that both branches of Congress are in session, and "Ben" Harrison has taken his old place at the head of the Cabinet table. Note further that three representative Afro-Americans, (one with hand on knob of door looks like Bruce) seems intent on breaking into the Cabinet, while the "gentleman from North Carolina," Bro. Murray, no doubt gives "color" to the noisy proceedings of the House.

Open Letter No. 16.

The Negro has been charged with having a dwarfed mental organism. One of the counts in the indictment is his apparent inability to reason from cause to effect, or from a well established hypothesis, to draw proper deductions or right conclusions. The charge is made; whether it can be substantiated, I leave others to determine. I will not stand sponsor for the accusation, but the miserably lame attempt to answer argument and incontrovertible facts, made by those who have taken me to task, would seem to place all of them in the same category, leaving the subject matter under consideration severely alone; they fly off on tangents, and belabor with a perfect fusilade of hodge-podge, other subjects not in controversy. The central, basic idea in letters which have elicited so much adverse criticism, is, that people of mixed blood are not Negroes, and, only they are Negroes who can trace an unbroken lineage without a cross, back to the wilds of Africa, whence the Negro originally came. Whatever else was said was merely in elucidation of the central idea. I indulge in a plain statement of truth and fact. Unless the truth hurts, no one should take umbrage. By not being classed as Negroes, people of mixed blood ought to readily see the rich heritage which it opens up to them; the vantage ground it gives them, and the load of popular odium and contempt which it lifts from their shoulders. We surely should contend for all we are entitled to, and then won't have much. I fear the fate of the simon-pure Negro, generally considered, is unalterably fixed; his doom irrevocably sealed. His past history and present condition is calculated to arouse neither pride in his ancestry, nor hope in his posterity, nor do they augur any noble deeds in the future. They are but the prelude of the storm of overwhelming, universal indignation, scorn and contempt, which will burst upon him with all the fury of the cyclone, if, after a few more year's trial he does not speedily adjust himself to civilized customs, and let go his African barbarism. With his present disposition and characteristics, no sane man can reasonably expect from the Negro, any good. Envious, jealous, suspicious, retrogressive by nature, destructive in his tendencies, he clogs the wheels of progress, and like a pestilential plague, spreads all along his trail the withering blight of dense ignorance, moral turpitude, revolting superstition, black-hearted ingratitude, African barbarism.

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Blacksmiths vs. Shoemakers.

Normal, Ala., Special.

Misses Clara and Bertha Fackler and Gertie McGill and Shelby Kemp were out last Sunday. Mr. Kemp is home from Minnesota where he spent the last seven years. Mr. Jones one of the young men working on the ditch was struck in the back by a pick last week. The wound while painful is not serious, and we hope to see him out again in a few days. There has been so much rain lately that the outlook for a good watermelon crop is rather poor. Mrs. Councill, Miss Ida and Master Dement Councill spent several days in the city this week. Our genial general manager W. S. Councill is up the road on business. Prof. Hunt attended the Teachers' Institute held in Huntsville Saturday. The Normal Band will give a concert at the opera house in Huntsville, soon. Mr. Hammond deserves much praise for the successful efforts he has put forth to make this band what it is. Although only a few months old, it can execute music that will do credit to any band of a year's practice. Bishop Turner was with us two days last week. Although somewhat indisposed, he kindly consented to give us a talk. His subject was, "My Recent Trip to Africa." When he had concluded, after carrying his audience from England to Paris, and thence to Africa and away out on the fiery sands of Sahara, he brought us safely home again, without anyone realizing that he had spoken two hours. In the debate last Saturday evening in the Y. P. D. S., the question the "Blacksmith vs. the Shoemaker," one of the debaters asserted that God was the first tanner and the devil the blacksmith. As is often the case, the disciples of old Satan won. Miss Holston who is visiting friends in Indiana writes us that she will be home soon, but not until she visits Indianapolis and The Freeman. The Freeman did not reach Normal, the last issue July 20th. The night school continues to flourish. An excursion was run from Chattanooga to Tuscumbia on the 27th.

A DISCOURSE ON EDUCATION.

Either Parents Should Superintend the Education

Of Their Children, or Satan Will do it For Them—Ministerial Education Considered—Who Shall Instruct Them.

It is said by Jeremy Taylor that he once urged a negligent mother to be more careful of her child's education in some such words as these: "Madam, be at the pains to educate your son, or be assured Satan will do it for you." The parent would seem to have been contenting herself with the thought that if her child was not instructed the whole of the evil would be that he should remain in ignorance. But this in truth was not the state of the question. The inquiry was not, "shall the child be educated, or shall he not." Educated he must be. The only question was, by whom he should be instructed, and in what species of learning. Should his teacher be his own casual companion, however vicious, and was his education to become one of profligacy and crime, or should his instructors be selected and their instructions appropriate to his station and valuable in its character? That such is the true state of the case would appear if any parent were now inclined to make the cruel experiment. Preserve your son from the confinement of the school and the drudgery of study. Let him abjure all books and gather his knowledge, glean his morals in careless freedom from our streets. No school bills would meet you, month after month with their clamorous demands. No austere teacher would intimidate your child. If parents will not educate their families the world will; and where no other teachers are provided, example and association will furnish them gratuitously and their teaching will be constant, unwearied and effectual.

With regards to ministerial education the question was, "shall our pastors be educated or shall they remain ignorant?" But this is not the true state of the case, and these are not really the two alternatives between which the church is likely to choose. The demands of the church, the state of society, and the indications of Providence have decided this question. Viz: Ministers must be educated. The only room for inquiry now remaining is found here: "Who shall be their teacher, and what shall be the character and extent of their instruction?" Taught and sent by the spirit of God, our youthful brethren need nevertheless to study the Bible. They need not know the rules and power, and the right use of their own language; it will not be to their injury should they know somewhat of the language which God honored by selecting him as vehicles of inspiration, and they were not prepared to repel the many forms of heresy that assail the Christian's faith where they learn something of history of error, and the men and arms by which it has been most faithfully combatted.

The true question is, "Who shall teach our ministers in these useful branches of knowledge?" Shall they be their own instructors, or shall their brethren of greater age, experience and knowledge be allowed to aid and guide their efforts? When shall they study, in the scattered and brief remnants of time which they shall be able to save or steal from other pursuits, or shall they, by the kindness of the churches, be enabled to pursue their studies in retirement and leisure? Shall they be compelled by their brethren to gather their education while they discharge their ministry, or will they be encouraged in the years of youth to prepare for the actual toils of mature life? Shall they be coolly exhorted to, to beg, or to borrow, as best they can, the books they may need, or shall they be invited to use the well stored library, aided by the counsel and supervision of the faithful teacher? Shall their instructors be competent or incompetent? Shall they select for themselves as their models of ministerial character, the men whom they may first meet, or easiest reach, or will the church point them to men of appropriate piety, wisdom and knowledge, as their patterns and tutors? Shall they study in cheerless and melancholy solitude, with no associate to lighten the toil of research, and share the joy of discovery, or shall they become the inmates of those schools of the prophets, where they may form those friendships which shall draw into unity of feeling and effort, the church over which they may afterwards be placed? Shall they be left to that unmanageable self-confidence and self-complacency which the successful laborers of a solitary student are calculated to foster, or shall they be ushered into scenes where they will find rival or superior talent, acquirements more splendid, powers of mind more vigorous or highly cultivated, where, in short, all will teach him the folly of measuring themselves among themselves? These are in truth the alternations between which the church is called upon to make her selection. We know and bless God for the fact that there have been, and yet are in the ministry, men of the largest usefulness, who have never profited by a Theological Seminary. They were self-made men. Yet, nearly with one voice, these men with deserved influence and most competent to judge, have advocated Theological School. Study is an oft-repeated injunction on the christian ministry: "Meditate upon these things, give thyself wholly to them, that thy profiting may appeal to all."—1 Tim. 4-15. Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth.

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Prof. Jones Replies

To McAdams—A Comprehensive Defense.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

This letter is especially addressed to my mother and the friends who have written me to not answer this common black-guard bearing "two diplomas" from Fisk University:

I have a letter prepared in answer to that dirty thing that J. C. McAdams published in The Freeman of the 13th inst., but at your request I will not notice him any longer; I do not care what else he may publish. I will now simply send extracts of the article which I had prepared, and a few testimonials, etc., to let you see what manner of character is trying to ruin your own dear, "Lean Jimmie Jones," and to let you know that I have still held my own, even in Shelbyville, that my head is above the wave still, and that slanderous attacks from men of McAdams' ilk cannot injure me. If McAdams can refute the testimony of witnesses of this kind and sustain his charges I will leave the town in shame. I think the state will pretect its citizens against such villainous attacks made by college graduates, bearing "two diplomas." It cannot be done through ignorance, for when Fisk confers diplomas the recipient is literally qualified, even if he is a natural fool. He certainly knows the meaning of common English words. * * * * Why am I in Shelbyville at present, and not at Murfreesboro? I will tell you why. After the school at Shelbyville (Turner Normal College) had "degenerated" so far (so I am told) and when Rev. B. A. J. Nixon who was then principal, saw that he needed help, he waited upon Bishop J. M. Brown in my presence and urged him to send me to his rescue at Shelbyville. Not only did Bro. Nixon take this step, but J. C. McAdams' father and Bro. Wm. Stones, officers of both church and school used their influence to have the Bishop remove me from Murfreesboro to Shelbyville for the express purpose of saving the Turner Normal and our church at this place. I wonder if either of these three named persons will dispute the above. The orders finally came from Bishop Brown the third week in December 1893. When it was announced that I had been moved to Shelbyville the membership of Murfreesboro, almost to a unit went into rebellion, and many of them are to-day unreconciled, because they felt that Murfreesboro was mistreated. They claim that Murfreesboro had as much right to a "first-class man" as Shelbyville.

Now I am in Shelbyville according to orders, serving out my third year, preaching, singing, praying for my people as usual. J. A. Jones is now discoverd by McAdams to be a scoundrel and a reprobate, a companion of harlots and libertines. Is it not strange that his father, brother and mother, all prominent members of the church have not discovered these things? Is it not strange that Mrs. J. C. McAdams, his wife, an excellent christian lady, would be associated in the same building with such a scoundrel as J. A. Jones, for eight months? Is it not strange that J. C. McAdams would permit his wife to be so intimately associated with such a reprobate? Is it not strange that J. C. McAdams himself would continue active in the church, as leader of the choir with such a "religious burlesque" as J. A. Jones? Is it not strange that J. C. McAdams, the apostle of morality and ministerial purity would kneel at the altar with, and take the sacrament from, the hands of such a libertine as J. A. Jones, and assist him in administering the elements? * * * * * *

As to my grammatical mistakes, Mr. McAdams is a critic of the "first water." He stated before the Teachers' Institute here a few weeks ago that Webster's Unabridge dictionary was full of mistakes and was not good authority This was said however, after reference was made to "Webster" to decide a dispute, and it was shown that "Webster" and I agreed. Now, I can afford to be criticized if Webster can. * * *

Mr. McElwee is a public man and his record in Nashville as a lawyer is open to criticism. It will be well for him to let McAdams fight his own battles. I claim to be as much of a gentleman as Mr. McElwee, and am willing for the light to be turned on.

Who said anything about Harris and Barbour, furniture dealers? Why should they be brought into this controversy? I have "picked up" no "rummer," but if I hear any more of this affair from certain parties, somebody will have to eat crow. I called no NAMES concerning that McAdams' office furniture affair. Why should Barbour and Harris make a statement? * *

I do not doubt (?) that Mr. McAdams has plenty of money to hire farm hands, etc. I must confess that it does not take much to be more than I received as president of Turner school. The most money received during the year was paid to Mrs. J. C. McAdams, as the report will show. It does take a self-sacrificing spirit and love for the race to labor for such little pay and for such little hope for more. * * *

About the scholarship: Any third-grade scholar knows that a public examination on an occasion when critical witnesses and visiting patrons are present, is no place or time to test "scholarship." Let that pass.

Now I will pass that "$200 a month" statement by without comment. I know it is generally conceded that Mr. McElwee books a handsome income monthly, but he does not need the assistance of an apprentice lawyer to do so. Now I will close by appending the following which will explain themselves:

RESOLUTIONS

SHELBYVILLE, TENN., July 15, '95.

We your committee on resolutions beg leave to submit the following report:

"WHEREAS, There appeared an article in The Freeman of the 13th inst., signed by J. C. McAdams, branding the pastor of the A. M. E. church, Rev. J. A. Jones as a liar and an immoral character, and

WHEREAS, He further states that Rev. Jones "has done more to lower the standard of morality in Shelbyville than all the A. M. E. ministers who have pastored her put together," and

WHEREAS, He states that "persons of questionable character are almost invariably" Rev. Jones' associates, etc.," therefore

Resolved, That the citizens of this community, together with the members of his church, do hereby denounce these statements as basely false and unworthy of the notice of decent people. Rev. J. A. Jones has deported himself in every respect worthy as a christian gentleman during his stay among us, and no minister of the A. M. E. church at this place has ever stood higher in the estimation of the best people of the community, both white and colored.

Resolved, Further that Rev. J. A. Jones has done as much to raise the standard of morality as any of his predecessors, and that none has done any more for the upbuilding of the church than Rev. J. A. Jones.

Resolved, Further, that the statement made by McAdams that "more than one man in Shelbyville had ordered Rev. Jones never to darken his door," is the grossest falsehood, and not worth the attention of any respectable person. No man in Shelbyville has been found to corroborate such an infamous and malicious falsehood.

Resolved, Further, that the whole scheme is simply a bold attempt to maliciously slander an upright christian gentleman. Signed on behalf of the citizens and members of the A. M. E. church:

J. W. CLAYBORN, HENRY MITCHELL,
LEONARD SIMS, ALEX HOUSTON,
CHURCHILL GREER.

The above report was adopted by a crowded house of the best citizens of Shelbyville. The reading of the report was greeted by prolonged cheers and finally adopted.

Mr. McAdams' father and brother did not vote at all. Take notice that this meeting was held since the appearance of McAdams' last letter. Lewis Tillman, a prominent member of the Baptist church presided, and W. B. Holt, a prominent member of the M. E. church and an alumni of Turner College, acting as secretary.

STATEMENT.

SHELBYVILEE, TENN., July 16, '95.

This certifies that the Turner Normal College has increased in influence and popularity and grown in numbers as to students continually ever since Rev. J. A Jones has been in charge of the institution. We hereby certify further that the statement made by J. C. McAdams in The Freeman of the 13th inst., that the school "has been degenerating ever since the day B. A. J. Nixon left," is false in the extreme. We are now, and have been continually living here during this time, and are in position to know. We are satisfied that Mr. McAdams cannot know. Signed:

J. W. CLAYBORN, REV. T. T. MURRY,
G. W. CLAYGORN, HENRY MITCHELL,
REV. R. A. HILL, CHURCHILL GREER,
REV. JOHN SEBASTIAN.

Local Board of Trustees of Turner Normal College.

Of course the father of J. C. McAdams was not asked to sign this certificate. A majority of the members' names appear—some are out of town.

CERTIFICATE.

SHELBYVILE, TENN., July 15, '95.

We, the undersigned were patrons of Turner Normal College during last session while Rev. J. A. Jones was in charge of the institution. We consider Rev. Jones as an upright, honest, christian gentleman—one worthy of confidence and respect, or else we would not have trusted our sons and daughters to his care. We hereby state that we were highly pleased with his administration, and that as far as we know he gave entire satisfaction to all persons concerned. The school was never in better condition in every respect. We consider the charge of immorality against the management of the school by Mr McAdams as a slander toward us who supported it. We feel the insult keenly. Signed:

REV. F. ALLEN, JORDAN DAVIS,
MRS. F. ALLEN (wid) MRS. E. THOMAS,
MRS. T. T MURRY, MRS. F NEAL (wid)

Other names appear on the original which I will gladly show anyone desiring to see them. But these are sufficient. Who will dare question the integrity of these?

CERTIFICATE.

SHELBYVILLL, TENN., July 15, '95.

This certifies that J. A. Jones has taught school in Shelbyville, serving as principal for two consecutive sessions. He gave entire satisfaction in said position. We never heard any complaint against him, officially, religiously or morally. We regard him as an honest, upright christian gentleman, and a thoroughly qualified teacher. We would cheerfully recommend him to anyone in quest of a competent and conscientious instructor. Signed:

J. S. GILLIS, }
J. D. HUTTON, } School Commissioners.
W. G. HIGHT, }

Mr. Gillis is a prominent merchant, Mr Hutton is president of the Peoples' National Bank, and Mr. Hight is Mayor of Shelbyville. Who will question their integrity? If J. A. Jones is a reprobate and "professional liar," would they not have heard it? Notice the date of this certificate.

CERTIFICATE.

SHELBYVILLE, TENN., July, 15, '95.

This certifies that the undersigned have been students in Turner Normal school during the time that Rev J. A. Jones has been in charge, even during the last session. We do hereby affirm that the school was conducted upon thoroughly moral principals Rev. Jones has frequently spent an hour at the time (his assistants being present) lecturing the school upon the subject of pure morality. We state further that he was regarded by all the students as a strong advocate of morality and they conducted themselves in his presence, in a manner in keeping with that idea. We have seen nothing or know nothing of him, but a highly-bred christian gentleman. We love and respect him for that. As to scholarship he has been able to handle every class with credit to himself and satisfaction to the students. If there has been complaint in this respect we have never heard it on the part of any person concerned:

MRS. S. C. HILL, R. P. PURDY,
MRS. M. J. McCAIN, REV J. A BRYANT
L. B. DAVIDSON, V. L. HAMILTON,
M L. FRAZIER, M F. CROWELL,
M F. MORTON, L. J. DAVIS.

All of the above are adults, the ladies representing the best element of society of this town and county. Many more could be secured, but these are sufficient. Question their integrity if you dare. All save one is an alumnus, some persuing post-graduate studies.

Anyone can see from McAdams' language that the defamation of my character and the challenge as to his whereabouts, etc., was only intended to precipitate a street dog-fight, a circumstance which might not injure his present standing, but which I could not afford to do. I can better afford to have a man of McAdams' type publish a defamatory letter about me, than to have it published to the world that I engaged in a street-fight with so distinguished (?) a character. Mrs. McAdams, his wife, told me in the beginning of this affair that her husband said to her: "I am not after Jones; he is alright; he is a gentleman; I am after other parties," and I think she called their names. She told me this in my room the next day after McAdams' appeared before the board. I am sure she is too much of a lady to deny this. Now, I want to apologize to my friends for allowing myself to give as much attention to this mad man as I have. I promise never to be guilty of such a thing again. No one needs "specs" to see from McAdams' letter that the man is demented. I may have dealt rather hard with him. No one would be guilty of publishing such a letter about a gentleman but a mad man.

Dear friends, I have just had a glorious "ground-beaking" for our new A. M. E. church. I have no more time to waste on any human buzzard whom I may come across in these regions smelling around for carrion crow. I shall leave the rest of the discussion to the brethren of the conference when Bro. (?) J. C. McAdams of Mississippi presents his transfer as he intends to do

Now, Johnnie, just bark on all you want to. You shall not henceforth be noticed, and I shall not give you any more free advertisement by calling the attention of the public to such a contemptible and monstrous black-guard as yon have proven yourself to be. I thought you possessed common sense.

If I was low enough I could publish rumors about John McAdams (just for the sake of argument as he has done) which would bring everlasting disgrace to his posterity. But I would not be guilty of anything so much beneath me. I would not set such an example before my children as being a scandalmonger. I respect his good christian mother, a devoted member of my church, too much. I have too much regard for the feelings of his wife, whom I believe is trying to raise a sweet family. In short, I have too much regard for my own sense of honor and veracity to sign my name to a thing like John McAdams published.

Respectfully,

J. A. JONES,

Shelbyville, Tenn.

The Great Indian Question.

Atoska, I. T. Special.

Some months ago, writing from Ardmore I gave the status of the much burning question of statehood, and the condition of its people. We are now in the Choctaw Nation. The native Negro here is a citizen and exercises his right of franchise. The Negroes here have four churches and one high school of the A. M. E. church. Prof. H. A. Guess of Texas, principal. Prof D. V. Bohanan has the structure of a high school framed. The Chochtaw Indians are inclined to sell their lands to the government. The U. S surveying corps are here surveying the country. The Negroes are taking hold here. The Chochtaw government provides schools for them. The coming election in August are generally on the allotment question; statehood is inevitable. The Indian of intelligence generally marries a caucasion, therefore more closely identifies himself with that race. The encroachment of the white race upon the Indian soil and the erection of a costly building are evidences of their ruling intention. Incorporation of town sites are now sought for, imagine a town of 8,000 souls with no city officials. Streets are only let by consent and fenced by will, often compelling the traveler to go thirty-eight miles out of the way. If the Negroes possesses any tact this country offers better inducements than Africa. The Eastern part of this country will be Republican and West Democratic if any are left after 96 Congress appropriated $200,000 to survey half of this territory thus statehood is deferred for two years at least. The Freeman is widely known here.

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COLD DISHES.

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VEGETABLES.

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ENTREE.

Patronage-turkey Feathers, fried in Crumbs.

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"The melancholy days have come,
The saddest of the year;
With seatless pants, top coat in hock,
What will a fellow wear?"

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RECIPE FOR A "GREAT" LEADER.

Purchase from Dame Nature a medium size bowl, commonly known as a cranium; get her to put a little "gray matter" (a very little) in the bowl Sprinkle a little "high school education," add a large lump of "self Importance" and let them stand for several years; then add twenty-five or fifty songs of self-praise, one large lump of "know it all," several shovels full of "great I am-ness," a whole "heap" of jealousy, a very little "experience," one "Dr." "Prof." or "Hon." Flavor with one drop of the extract of "Race Pride," served "red hot and still a heating" upon all large Negro problems

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The Malby Civil Rights Bill of New York state, of which Charles W. Anderson, "the Black Depew," is said to be the father, became a law Saturday, June 15th, by Governor Morton placing *his* autograph to it. The next day Mr. Anderson and two other Afro-Americans rushed all over New York City testing the law. This, in my judgement—and I am not alone in the opinion I hold—was the very worst kind of disgusting folly. It made impressions upon the minds of many white friends. It was uncalled for, a good bit too previous and very school boy like. Foreign up-starts, Jews and country people, not used to anything, always rush into hotels and other places at the first opportunity. Our "testing committee" might have waited a week or so at the shortest. The law is, however, a good and just one, and will give our white local Republicans a new argument when working for black votes, instead of the old, old story: "Vote for the Republican party because it freed you." To the logical young colored voter under 30 years, the new tune of what the g. o. p. is now doing, will sound better.

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Almost every adult colored person belongs to some secret or benevolent society. The poor working man with no bank account sees no other way of being cared for when sick or buried after death, He therefore, does right when he connects himself with some worthy order and keeps up his dues. When, however, his ambition leads him to join a half dozen or more orders and try to climb to the roof of each one, it saps his pocket, breaks his rest, keeps him from his fireside, and when he dies makes lots of trouble for his family and friends, and too often makes a disgusting show and a laughing stock of the race.

A little over a year ago I attended, in a neighboring city, the funeral of a big society man. He was away up in Odd Fellowship, a 33d degree Mason, a Sir this, and Knight that, a member of the G. A. R., and one or two social and political clubs. He died on a Tuesday. He was buried the following Sunday. Just as soon as the doctor gave up hope of his recovery, the societies to which he belonged commenced to get in a line, so to speak. When his death was announced, special meetings were at once called, and back number members squared themselves with the financial secretaries. Uniforms were gotten out and cleaned up. Notices were sent out; everything done to make it a red letter funeral day. The largest Afro-American church in the city was secured (the deceased not being a church member) and all the ministers in town were—self invited. Nature decided to place nothing in the way of the societies' fitting or otherwise tribute to their dead, as the day was a mild, cloudless September Sunday. The funeral was to take place at 11 o'clock in the morning, but it was 12:30 before the body was carried to the church. Fully 3,000 people of color were in and around the church. The pastor of the church preached an hour sermon. He said all, and in fact more than there was to say, still each one of the other five self-invited ministers had to have their say. One of these good brothers told the people that he imagined he saw Bro. —— in heaven, and commenced to canonize the dead, which was rather a big responsibility for the divine, I think. It was 3 o'clock when the preaching part of the funeral was over. Lines were then formed and the public permitted to view the remains, passing in one door and out the other, after which the societies started to read their services for the dead. In the lexicon of secret societies there is no such thing as 'abridgement," and by a strange coincident always when there is to be a big celebration, public installation or funeral, the officers who have to do the reading are thicked tongued stammers, with feeble eyesight and feebler education or knowledge of the art of reading. After a painful hour the society officers had all jumbled through their parts, the body brought out and placed in the hearse and the mourners in the carriages, when the trouble commenced about what order should have the right of the line. The Masons and 33d degree men wanted it because the dead man was one of their high past officers; the Odd Fellows (of which I was a member) claimed it upon the grounds that he was an older Odd Fellow than Mason and the father charter member of the local lodge. While the leaders of the two orders were standing in the hall-way of the church debating the subject in heated words, the G. A. R., headed by their guests, the —— Guards, (a fine company of soldiers of the young school) quietly took the right of line with their other orders besides the Masons and Odd Fellows, behind them and started off. The Odd Fellows were the first to discover the moving pageant, and quickly got in line without their "big" men The Masons followed suit, and when the "big guns" had decided who should have the right of line, the funeral was two blocks or squares away. The "big guns" rushed pell mell to their respective posts and all was well.

On through the leading streets towards the cemetery marched the society mourners to the step of fife and muffled drum. Both side walks were thronged with the "side walk committee," made up as usual of that class of men, boys and women who are neither saints nor a credit to the race. The cemetery was reached just at sun down, and the side walk committee rushed pell mell over graves and head stones in order to get a good position near the grave. Nature having given ample time, became disgusted and sent down sheets of cold, wet rain just as the grave was reached, which caused a mad rush for the city, and the spoiling of much uniform, and an unfavorable comment in the next morning's papers.

I must admit that it was a disgrace from the beginning to the end, and the dead man although in life was fond of show, would have objected—if he could. I will not make any comment, because the "New Negro," like the "New Woman," is in his infancy, but—two or three thousand years from now the Negro will be right "in the swim" of civilization, wealth, equal rights, education and good judgement, and you and I, gentle reader, will be—in heaven I hope.

B. SQUARE.

MONUMENT TO SOUTHERN SLAVES

Rev. Dr. Cæsar A. A. Taylor Writes About it to the Savanah, Ga., "News"—Read His Letter.

VALDOSTA, GA., July 24, 1895

EDITOR NEWS:

Sir, in your issue of the 22nd I read an editorial setting forth that one Capt Samuel E. White, an ex-confederate was to have erected at Fort Mill, S. C., a monument to the colored slaves, and at the top of the shaft there is to be in marble the figure of a colored woman nursing her future master, while on the opposite side would be the figure of a colored man having in his hand some agricultural impliment. The magnanimous spirit exhibited by the Negroes during the war commented upon by you in the editorial in question shows it to be evident that nothing but a noble motive could actuate a human heart to do what Captain White proposes, nevertheless I am frank to say the design of the monument will be a humiliation not alone to the Negroes, but an ever reminding shame to all who held the Negroes as slaves. Therefore I would suggest that in addition to the two figures already mentioned that a third be added, namely; at the top of the shaft a Negro dressed in modern attire as a gentleman and a citizen clasping hands with a white man; each with hat uplifted as examplifying the equality of all men before the law now, as was not the case in this country previous to 1865. I would further suggest that under the first two figures the dates 1620 to 1865 be placed, while under the last figure only the date 1865 be placed. I am yours for progress, prosperity, patriotism, and enterprise throughout our common country,

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Thus he was born to servitude, with no means of retreat.

But sunshine follows every shower, relief comes after pain;
His eyes were fixed upon a star—a crown he hoped to gain;
Tho' obstacles were numerous and dangers not a few,
He heeded not the jeopardy, but boldly ventured through.

He could not discover equity in some men being lords,
While others bowed before them and trembled at their words;
His lips would sometimes whisper the thoughts within his breast,
"If all men are born equal, I'm peer of all the rest."

At length his love of liberty burst forth in torrents strong,
He broke the yoke of slavery, the chain that bound him long;
He fled untried and uncondemned—he fled his life to save,
Tho' guilty of no earthly crime, save he was born a slave.

On setting foot upon the soil that gave him liberty,
He broke the chain of ignorance, and then his soul was free;
On looking up his eye beheld the steps which led to fame.
He ascended to the topmost round and written there his name.

No prison walls could hold him, no chain could bind his arm,
Obstacles fled before him like chaff before a storm;
All eyes were fixed upon him in his perilous ascent,
And when he reached Fame's pinnacle, the air with cheers was rent.

He paused, and while looking backward o'er the race which he had run,
He heard an angel crying: "Servant of God, well done!"
He heard Death's awful summons, he saw him coming near,
He whispered back the answer: "Good Master, I am here.

H. C. ALLEN.

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The weather for the past week has been very warm. Country melons are being brought to town by wagon loads and they bring fair price. The entertainment given by the ladies of St. Paul was successful; they realized $29.95. The O. M E. and Oakland churches gave their picnic last Saturday. Mrs. Mary Points received the prize for being the "tackest" dressed lady at St. Paul's entertainment last week and Mr. and Mrs J. Nylam's baby received the first prize for being the finest looking baby. Messrs Bob Murphy, Lafayette Garth, our enterprising farmers, are bringing in fine peaches and other fruits of great value, which they sell readily and at fair prices. Rev. J. W. Gardener, Mrs. Rev. Roberson, Messrs Gordon, Horten, David Hall, Charles Ross and Madames Rendie Hinds, Josie Fennel and Celia McCartney are convalescing. The measels is almost an epidemic here. Miss Norah Shelton, of Birmingham, Ala, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Katie Fennel. Mrs H. Walker and baby, of the Ham, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Pleas Terry. Home again, Richard Rainey, from Huntsville. S. S. Sykes is laying the foundation of his two story brick building on Bank street. Mrs Eliza Jones has gone into the dyeing business. Mrs. Fannie Rainey has re-opened her dress making department. Miss Fields is making rapid progress in her musical school. Mrs. Katie Medlock will go to Taylor Ridge, Ill., in a few days to visit Mr. Owens Goins. Mrs. Lizzie Carpenter was at the entertainment last week. Messrs J. J. Sykes and W. A. Harris are doing good work in the line of groceries. Mr. B. W. Lemons always have on hand a lot of fresh groceries on Line street. Rev. Jacob Smith, of Canada, whose estate was $40,000 made his will to his two children equally, Mrs. Sallie Swan and Rev. W. F. Smith, who is now pastor of St. Paul church, this place. St Paul's Sunday School is preparing for a grand picnic in August. Madames M. Macline and F. Johnson are rejoicing over the new comers in their family. Mrs. Julius Moore is trying to complete the work on his house. Miss Florence Jefferson, sister of our worthy agent, Charles Jefferson, has the best talent for music of any child in the city. Justice of the peace, Mr. C. P. Sykes, is kept quite busy in his office. Rev. R. L. King was in our city a few weeks past and claims to be from Auburn, N. Y., pastor of the Zion A. M. E church. Dr. Steers has a fine practice.

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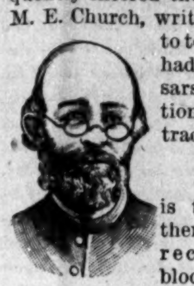

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AS TO "BEN" HARRISON.

"The Indianapolis Freeman appears to look kindly upon the Hon. Benjamin Harrison of Indiana as the next Presidential candidate of the Republican party. General Harrison is alright, but he has had two swipes at the pie, and insists that he does not want another."—New York Age.

Certainly we do, and so do you, being a patriotic and sensible observer of the needs of the hour, the MAN of the hour, and the signs of the times. Mr. Harrison, as you well know, has insisted upon nothing, neither yea nor nay, in the direction intimated by you. He is not to be held, nor are the people holding him for the vapory fabrications of the newspaper "interviewer," burning for distinction along the lines of the sensational and startling Gen. Harrison will be the next nominee of the National Republican Convention, for the simple, but powerful reason, he is the most available; he will be the next President of these UNITED STATES, not because he is sacrificing his sense of fitness and dignity in seeking to be but because the American people want him and will elect him, and when elected he will have no warmer espouser than yourself, past declarations and present attitude, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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"Ex-President Ben Harrison has given it out that he is not, nor will he be at any time a candidate for the President. This is, indeed, good news. The Negro, as a citizen, has nothing to do in displacing Grover Cleveland in the White House and substituting Benjamin Harrison. Harrison is the worst man as far as the Negro is concerned, that the Republican party could elect as President"—Pine Bluff Echo.

We have just gotten through reminding the editor of the Age, Mr. Harrison has did nothing of the kind. Just about now, in this glorious summer time, he is putting in the balmy morning and evening hours, coqueting with the finny tribes, in the clear, pellucid waters of a crystal lake, hard by a surburban New York village, and when not thus delightfully engaged, is regaling his rustic neighbors, regardless of party or race on the inspiring beauties of the American flag and the principles for which it stands. Of his own volition we doubt not, he will not again be a candidate for the presidency, but the people have a way, at times, of going after a good man whether he would or not, thrusting honors upon him in the name of expediency and that wholesome wisdom that laughs at the piques of disgruntled politicians or the "jobs" of rings and sectional combinations. The cool facts of history will yet declare that the Negro has had no more consistent and unswerving advocate of his rights as an American citizen than Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana. As an editor, for whom we have much respect, and who, we believe, strives to teach his reading clientage the truth, you should, by all means not permit a hasty, narrow conclusion get the better of your editorial vision.

Mr. Harrison cannot be justly blamed for not accomplishing for the Negro that, that was impossible. A president of the United States when accepting, office swears to enforce the constitution and the laws as he finds them when he takes his seat, beyond that he cannot go. True, in his State papers and as far as he himself is personally concerned he may improve his opportunities to condemn this or that evil as it shall effect this or that class of American citizens; further than this his hands are tied, and here complaining criticism should end. It is hard for many well meaning colored men to realize that the reconstruction methods of the early years following the war have fallen into disuse and the Negro, whether fortunate or unfortunate, must take his chances alike with other American citizens and hold the LAW and not its administrators when protection or justice is denied him under its provisions. No man, as president, ever went further than General Harrison in condemning the atrocites practiced upon the Negro in the Southland and by suggestion advice and lamentation strive to prick the national conscience into a condition of shame facedness and contrition for its errors. Further than this Mr. Harrison could not go, less than this he did not. Another thing Bro. Duke, against the ten million Negroes, more or less, there are some fifty odd millions of whites whose rights, supposed or real, have to be conserved and considered whoever shall be president, of whatever political stripe, and this fact is frequently lost sight of by impatient heroes of the race.

PERIODICALS

The A. M. E. Church Review for this month is a splendid affair, worthy to take rank with the best periodicals of the day. The frontispiece, is a fine picture of Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, Recorder of Deeds, who is a contributor to a very readable symposium on Frederick Douglass, supplied by T. Thomas Fortune, McCants Stewart, Dr. W. D. Derrick, and others. The editor of the Review, Dr. Coppin, is doing the race and his church great service, through this splendid publication which should be generally subscribed to by the race.

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Other periodicals finding a place upon our table are The Christian Educator Bi Monthly, Cincinnati, Ohio, The Chautauquan for August, crammed full of choice reading information, a Cyclopedia of Current Events, Minutes of League of Republican Clubs, which recently convened in Cleveland, O., journal of Lexington Conference of A M. E. church for '95, and the Educational Journal of Athens, Ga.

STILL John Waller, Negro and American citizen, languishes in prison; still the frog eating Frenchman chews his cud of nonchallent indifference; still Uncle Sam poses among the nations, the biggest cur in the universal shooting match.

IF this man Holmes has been guilty of the crimes piled up at his door, he is the greatest criminal of the century and is on earth at the wrong period. He should have lived in the days of the Borgia's a fit companion of those eminent life takers of the darkest period of Catholic Europe

DOUGLASS' aphorism "the Republican party is the deck, all outside is the sea." is as true this hour, as it was the day it dropped from his eloquent, flame kissed lips.

AM I?

SONG (TUNE—ARLINGTON C. M.)

Am I a subject for the mob,
To shoot, or burn, or hang?
Must I be placed beneath the sod
By such a murderous gang?

Dare I, my lips, to part to her,
White face and blacken'd heart;
Must I, my life give up so dear,
Must I now make the start?

Since I am of the Negro race,
I'm held for each one's shame;
Oh, God! help them observe the laws,
To share another's blame?

Are there no friends to plead my cause,
Or must I face their ire?
Oh, God! help them observe the laws,
O, save me from the fire!

If I am laid away to rest?
In fire about me hot!
O, number me among the blest;
Mine eyes burnt out, and shot!

Dear God, Thou knowest we are weak
In number, strength and grace;
Help me my God, some word to speak
To benefit my race;

W. ROBT. B. ALEXANDER,
Hot Springs, S. D., July 25, 1895.

LOOK ABOVE AND BEYOND, BROTHER.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 27, 1895.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

SIR:—After having read carefully an article written by Josephine E. Ghant, "Shall we Employ White or Colored Teachers," I must say that I was disappointed, and regret that I have been a liberal contributor for so many years past to a cause that has not been appreciated by the Negro people. I am a Methodist, and our church, "as you know," takes a special collection each year for Southern Educational work. If this article had made its appearance in last week's issue, I would have now in my pocket some money that is on its road South. "We took this year's collection" last Sunday. In the future I will place my money where we will get "thanks" for it. I shall call our pastor's attention to this article of your Miss Josephine, and I think next year when he goes to take our subscriptions for the various benevolent work of the church, he will not be so earnest in his appeal to us for "liberal contributions to Southern Education work."

Yours truly, "METHODIST."

The mistake that "Methodist" makes is in confounding Miss Ghant with the four or five millions of other colored people of the South. MISS GHANT has the right of opinion, no one can gainsay her that, but no more. We do not understand the lady sought to express her views, as an oracle, as voicing the feelings, wishes and desires of the millions of the race living in the South, nor do we believe that she desires to be understood as doing so. There is no more grateful and appreciative person than the Negro. The iron hand of adversity and oppression has seared and blighted him, has left its scar not only upon his person, but deep into his very soul, but beyond that, its blighting touch has left no stain. He may be ignorant, he is; poor, he is; but ungrateful, as between those who have pursued, have hunted, crushed and maimed him, and the friends who have succored and befriended him, NEVER! He knows, all the world knows, that the great M. E. Church, since and before the days of his manumission, has been in the main an unremitting, unswerving friend. Her appeals to the higher, better conscience and philanthropy of this great nation have been in his behalf. The purses and means of the noble men and women composing its membership, has been ever open to his wants. Colleges, schools, academies reared for his sole benefit, have sprung up all over the country, and the advantages of education and culture have shed their beneficent rays, athwart his pathway, from the place of the freedman to the proud eminence of the American citizen. No one is better acquainted with these facts in the history of the great church, that our bright correspondent, MISS GHANT, and we wot not no one has less desire to obscure them What Miss Ghant knows, what all the world knows, what we know, "Methodist," knowing as he does, should not lose sight of, or weary in well doing, regardless of the opinion of any person, effecting a matter, at best but collateral to the one overshadowing one, "Methodist" should look above, what he may consider the idiosyncracies and ingratitude of the one individual, and bending his eyes steadfastly upon the needs of the millions, keep straight on in his good work, looking neither to the right, nor the left, remembering at all times, and in the face of all discouragements, the words of the Master, "even as you do it to one of these, My little ones, you do it also unto ME."

A NEGLECTED MARTYR.

"But, gentlemen, as long as I am an American citizen and as long as American blood run in these veins, I shall hold myself at liberty to speak, to write, to publish whatever I pleas on any subject—being amenable to the laws of my country for the same." * * * * "I have sworn eternal opposition to slavery, and by the blessing of God I will never go back."—WORDS OF ELIJAH P. LOVEJOY.

Fifty-eight years ago the man who uttered those burning words was killed, shot down like an outlaw or a beast of prey in the streets of Alton, Ill., for pointing out the barbarism of slavery and urging, think of it men of this day, its gradual emancipation. Twenty-three years after, Owen Lovejoy, a brother of the murdered man, then a member of Congress from Illinois said in a public speech delivered at Alton.

"This is not the time nor the place to speak of my brother, or of the cause for which he died. Enough that he lives a dear and precious memory in the hearts of those he left behind. As for his cause time will vindicate that as surely as God lives and reigns. Twenty-three years ago the blood of my brother, slain in these streets, ran down and mingled with the waters of the mighty river which sweeps past your city to the sea

"The Avon to the Severn runs,
The Severn to the sea—
And scattered wide as Wycliffe's name,
Shall Wycliffe's ashes be."

Three years that splendid and feeling tribute was spoken, the cause for which his noble brother died was VINDICATED and made forever holy by the official action of another and a later Illinoisian in the person of a man who, at the time of Lovejoy's murder, was unknown but whose name, Abraham Lincoln, today is household in every land under the sun. And as striking commentary on the watchful eye on Him who has declared: "Vengence is mine, I will repay" Dr. Jas. Jennings, the man whose fingers pulled the trigger that set free the soul of Lovejoy's was cut to pieces in a bowie knife fight in a Vicksburg, Miss., bar room years after, while his ardent accomplice, one Dr. Beall, a wanderer on the Western plains was captured by the Comanche's and burned at the stake. In a recent speech delivered in St. Louis by Hon. Thomas Dimmock, late of the St. Louis Republic, we glean an account of the last resting place and the vicisitudes that have even overtaken the bones of this neglected martyr to the cause of the black man and free speech, since his untimely taking off, nearly sixty years ago. Concluding his brilliant and touching effort in memory of as brave a man as ever trod the earth, and a friend to the Negro at a time when to be such was to court cruel ostracism and almost certain death, he said:

"More than forty years ago, with a companion somewhat older than myself I sought and found the grave of Lovejoy. It was then between two quite, large oak trees and was identified by a small pine board, on which was rudely carved the initials "E P L." The present city cemetery of Alton, was then an open common. When it was laid out and inclosed, trees and board disappered and the main avenue passed directly over the grave, the location of which would have been hopelessly lost but for the late William Brudon, superintendent of the cemetery, who marked the spot by two fragraments of limestone, almost a level with the ground, of which very few knew the meaning. After being thus trodden under foot by man and beast for several years the late Maj Chas. W. Hunter had the remains removed to where they now are just opposite his own family lot in ground then owned by him. William Johnson, a colored man born in Scotland—and who, by the way, laid the last stone in the tower of the old Cathedral on Walnut street—had buried Lovejoy the first time and had charge of his removal. He told me that some bits of bone and a handful of dust were all he could find."

Steps have been taken by the State of Illinois to erect a becoming monument to the memory of the heroic dead, a bill having been passed by the State Legislature appropriating $25,000 for the purpose, on the condition that $12,000 be raised by the Lovejoy Monument Association, no later than January 1st, '96. Now here is a chance that no Negro in America should be ungrateful enough to hunt for an excuse not to respond too. Those desireous of doing so mention THE FREEMAN; and with John E. Hayner treasurer of the Association and National Savings Bank, Alton, Ill. Of Lovejoy's last resting place it may well be said:

Such graves as these are pilgrim shrines—
Shrines to no code or creed confined;
The Delphian vales, the Palestines,
The Meccas of the mind.

WILL THIS GOVERNMENT ACT?

The Cuban insurrection has now continued several months, and to the mother country, the signs grow more and more discouraging daily that she will ultimately triumph over her insurgent subjects. Nor should she; all the laws of humanity, justice and equity, alike protest against such a possibility. The Cuban insurgents, and

Brave men are they,

Are laying down their lives, for an eternal principle, against the whiteness and perpetuity of which, the cause of the oppressors, the Spanish government, is very black, and deserves success from no standpoint of reason and justice; such justice as the American colonies appealed to Great Britain for in vain, and only secured it at last through the arbritiment of war. True valor, brave, unremitting, when expended in a noble cause, deserves the general sympathy of mankind, and the approbation and countenance of civilized and christian nations The world to-day holds no braver men, shedding their blood in a nobler cause, giving their lives freely to perpetuate the self same principles that Washington struggled for, and Grant, Sheridan and Sherman defended than these, black and white natives of the Queen of the Antillas, and what the course of this nation should be towards them, it seems to us is very clear. From this on, each day that the United States of America withholds its powerful recognition from the struggling patriots, the cause of human liberty becomes more obscured, and its defenders more and more discouraged. The comity of nations, as lain down by usage and practice, has no doubt up to this time, prevented our government from acting, but there is a law of humanity, an irrepressible and sacred law, that is above usage and precedent, and now is the time right now for this great government to invoke its spirit, and put in practice its humanitarian object. Why should the United States government—itself an organized remonstrance against the tyranny of kings and empires, separated entirely by the "entangling alliances" of effete Europe, which is but one armed camp of jealous suspicious nations, be blindly guided by rules of action, born in desperation and sealed by slaughter and bloodshed, a bloody tribute of the "eternal rights of kings?" Standing for the newer and better principle of government of the people, by the people, for the people, this greatest Republic of the earth has had no more glorious opportunity, to clinch its boasted claim of being an eternal foe against organized wrong, than is now afforded it as between the cause of the Cuban patriots, and their oppressors from across the ocean. Upon this subject the New York Morning Advertiser, a great and fearless journal, thus reflects:

"We are angry and we do well to be angry at the atrocities of the unspeakable Turk in distant Armenia. We are indignant and we do well to be indignant at the thought of the legal slaughter of the helpless, ignorant, semi-savage Italian girl in this state. Yet we have an Armenia here at our door; and the fate of Maria Barberi, even if the full sentence of the law should be carried out, would be merciful in comparison with the fate of the wives and daughters of the Cuban insurgents when they fell into the hands of the hired bravoes of Spain. Shame on us if we remain silent when brave men are fighting for freedom against foreign tyranny within the very shadow of our flag! Shame on us if in this crucial struggle, when one manly word from Washington would drive the oppressors from Cuba, we let the cobwebs of musty precedent blind our eyes, the lying promises of foreign diplomats fetter our hands, and, like cowards, hold our tongues!

"If there is no precedent for the recognition of Cuban liberty by the United States, then, in the name of God and justice, let us make a precedent! There was no precedent in diplomacy for the Declaration of Independence and the American Republic. Yet who would discredit the work of the men of '76? What are the entanglements and selfish ambitions of European monarchies to seventy millions of Americans that we should act as their allies in throwing the weight of our influence on the side of tyranny and against the cause of liberty at our own threshold? The government of this nation has an opportunity to render an incalculable service to American principles, to humanity and to the cause of civilization by recognizing the belligerency of Cuba. Let the President act as Washington or Jefferson would have acted under similar circumstances. Let him act as Abraham Lincoln would have acted if he were alive and in the White House to-day!"

THE CURSE OF LYNCHING.

We offer no apology to our readers for the space given this week, to the editorial, "The Curse of Lynching" from the Pine Bluff Commercial(white) of July 20th, this year. The writer of the same, Mr. Charles Gordon Newton, is a Virginian by birth, and during the war shouldered his gun in the ranks of the Gray on behalf of his fatherland. Nevertheless, sinking the fealety of sectionalism on behalf of humanitarism, he has the courage to look his brethren of the South in the face, to rebuke them for their errors, and demand the crime of lynching shall have an end.

We observe with a degree of pure pleasure that Gov. Clarke has offered a reward of $200 each (the extent of his limit) for the apprehension of the villains who recently hung, under so-called mob law, two Negroes in Calhoun county. The governor goes still further and very properly condemns such a brutal course.

What has come over the people of the South in the past few years, anyway? And why should they take recourse to such an unmanly and inhuman species of revenge?

We grant that the heinous crime of rape should be met with a swift and certain death penalty, and we question if the moral good by mob law execution is as effective as a regular trial and due execution upon the gallows of the culprit. And surely for the crime of murder and lesser offenses no people, however, lax their habits, have the right, either in law, or by teachings of common humanity, to rush upon the prisons of the country, seize those charged of crimes and execute them by a rope tied around a limb of a tree, and then disperse and go unpunished. The principal is wrong from humanitarian point of view.

It is general conceded that the black man does not like the editor of The Commercial, and were he less intelligent and just he might be disposed to laugh every time the Negro is made to suffer. But he is not "built that way." He always has and always will criticise the Negro when it is necessary to do so, not because he wishes to tantalize them, but because not being their enemy he is anxious and desirous of seeing them improve and make progress in all that go to make a people whose aim should be to become enlightened, and thus by a friendly spirit of emulation, advance in the line of competition and ascend, if possible, along with the other races to highest fame and renowned pinnacle where glory should await all of God's children.

That the Negro has failed of many duties is not to be disputed. That he has not made the advancement expected of him since his liberation from serfdom, the peer of his brother caucasian and the self-laudatory braggart, who, r m the hustlings for six thousand years has to the whole world proclaimed himself the superior of all of the other four races of people.

Yes, this same caucasian who, at least in some instances, might have died in infancy but for the faithful, fountain-like breast and tender carefulness of a black nurse; we say this same caucasian seems to have forgotten not only the statues of the land, but the kindness of the Negro men and women when a "friend in need was a friend in indeed." But we put aside all thoughts of gratitude. From our stand point let us admit that the Negro is not advancing in intellect and decorum; let us draw the fiercest and most horrible picture of them that we can and will hang it upon the wall. Then straitway "wheel our cushioned chair" to our drawing table and there map out, lay out, portray and paint a companion picture to the Negro and show the white man, aye, mobs of white men, in their true colors overpowering the law officers, breaking down the jails, seizing the untired and unconvicted, helpless prisoner, dragging him forth, hanging him in beastly fury to the first tree, with yells and repeated curses and imprecations yet added and heaped upon the dying culprit, and can any picture of the Negro be worse than the this that has been above described of the Caucasian?

Here we are a nation, pretending to be good protestant Christians. Not content with teaching our own people the code and principles of Christianity, we have declared that we must send missionaries abroad, and we do send them. And yet, right here in Arkansas, in the land and home of the supposed to be free and enlightened Caucasians, we find them unwilling to abide by the very laws they themselves enacted for the protection of all men.

There is villainy in mob law. No man of honor will engage in it at all unless under circumstances which we have mentioned, or because the officers will not do their duty. If in the latter case, if anybody has to be hung, hang the officials, but why the arrested, down-trodden, the pinioned, handcuffed prisoner, and especially that prisoner the weakest of all races, the Negro?

The time is here when the press of the country will have to speak out on this matter. Already two much time has been allowed to waste in bringing our people to a sense of justice and fair play. There should and must be a stop put to the mob law, else shut up the Bible, tear down the churches and burn up the school houses. To practice charity as taught by Christ; to profess morality when you are committing murder most foul; to cant and preach, and read and repeat the Golden Rule when you are bringing disgrace, desolation and dastardly death to your fellow-man is at the very moment hypocritical. It is guile, misrepresentation, false as hell, perversive, and must be overtaken by a just retribution from the Giver of all good gifts.

Let us be done with mob law. It is a disgrace to the now near 20th century. It is sinful in the extreme. It is barbaric beyond compare; it betokens and in reality invites all Christendom to believe you a whole body of moral cowards; it is truly hideous, damably outrageous; it proves only one thing, and that is that the people who indulge in it, or who permit it, are not only unworthy of freedom, but are dastards, arrant cowards and wretches, who are intuitively without spirit and, who deserved, as those they lynch, to die with their boots on.

"SHOW me the monuments of a people, and I will tell you of their worth" As yet, the Negro has reared no monuments, save those in the main to folly, improvidence, and wasted opportunity. The few great men and women he has produced, display a tenacity to live, somewhat discouraging to the hordes waiting to take their places.

Choir Reorganized.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

The corner stone of the new M. E church was laid last Sunday, by the Odd Fellows, several ministers were in attendance. P. E. Gilliam of Louisville, conducted the exercises. The A. M E. church had their opening last Sunday. A large crowd was in attendance. Collection for the day was thirty-six dollars. Mr. Laurance White is the happy father of a fifteen pound boy. Mother and babe doing well. Rev. Jessie Bass attended the grand opening and delivered an able discourse in the evening. The A.M.E. church choir has been reorganized and several new members added. Good music was rendered at the opening under the leadership of Mr. W. H. Stokes. Mr. Joe Watkins, the lighting barber of Anderson was in the city. He assisted the Odd Fellows in laying the corner stone of the M. E. church. Capt. Mitchell is a jolly tonsorial artist in the employment of Dr. Morin, took in the excursion to Cincinnati last week, he reports a grand time. Mr. James Roberts performed the duties of usher in the new A. M. E. church to the entire satisfaction of the members and friends. He is pleasant, graceful and obliging. The grand lodge of F. and A. M., will convene in the city on Tuesday August 24th, there are some important questions for discussion. Anyone wanting the leading journal of the race, The Freeman, will call on Renan Robbins, 115 W. Jackson street, Muncie, Ind.

Visitors Welcome.

Selma, Ala., Special.

Miss Emma Walton and Miss Lula Harrison of Vicksburg, Miss., are the guests of Miss Laura Murphey of the West end. All who come to Selma to visit will find their stay a pleasant one. Its breeze is delightful and other pleasures are too numerous to mention.

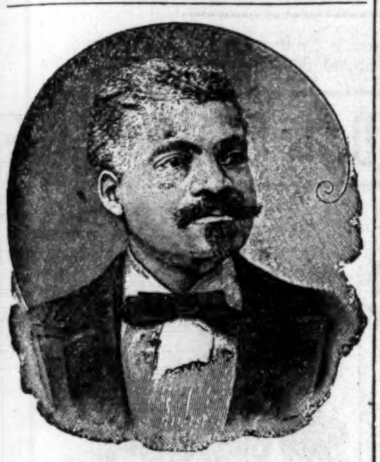
MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN!

COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX.

CHAPTER XXV.

After I had finally settled down in the city, I began to make inquiries concerning the whereabouts of Joseph Cameron. He and I were old acquaintances, dating back to the years '65 and '66, while I lived in Greenfield and he in Knightstown. We had become in the course of years very intimate friends. On one occasion, telling him of my intention of going to Indianapolis for the purpose of going into business, he stated he did not think it was the best thing I could do. "The city, you see, is full of barber shops and if you go there, the chances are that you cannot make it pay." We we standing near a telegraph pole, which seemed unusually high, and I bending my eyes on the top, he observed me and asked what I was looking at. I replied that I could not see a barber shop up there. He then asked me what I meant. I told him that in my new business venture I was going to commence at the top, saying to him, "these barber shops that you speak of are all on the ground." He then understood that I meant to open a barber shop superior to any in the city. I also further reminded him, in a jocular way, that because he came from Knightstown and failed in the music business in Indianapolis, it was no reason why I should not make an attempt to go into the barber business.

After I had been here quite a while and was commencing to do business, I employed a barber, very popular at that day in the city, known as "Dude" Brown. He was especially proficient as a cutter of ladies' bangs, which at that time were becoming "all the rage." Being fine looking, polite and affable, a neat and tasty dresser, he had, as a matter of course, a great following. I gave him employment and being a "country barber," the city barbers took every opportunity they could to ridicule me. A gentleman entering one of the shops where Brown hrd formerly been employed, and asking where he was, received the following description of my shop and how to find me: "You go down Meridian street about four doors from the corner on the east side of the street, and there in a room 21x21, you will find Brown working for a barber just from the country." The gentleman following directions finally found my place of business, and coming in, asked if there was a man there who had opened a barber shop, who came from a little country town. I spoke up very readily, and said: "Yes, I am the man." He then said that he did not want to see me but wanted a man by the name of Brown who was working for the country barber. I told him I had the man, and also said in conclusion that although I was a country barber, I was glad I was in town.



GEORGE L. KNOX.

Returning to the Bates House venture, we commenced in February preparing and getting ready and were to open on the first day of April 1885, but we did not open until the 18th of April the same year. We threw our doors open on the 18th and the shop being bran new, furnished and arranged beyond anything ever before attempted in Indianapolis, it as a matter of course created a great local sensation. It was the talk of the town. The daily papers made extended and complimentary notes of it, and throngs of people, men, women and children, were attracted threto, and came in groups to inspect the country barber's new place of business. The barbers of the city hastened to predict we would fail. They said in about six months the shine would be off and we would have a great shop upon our hands but no business. I replied to them when occasion required it, to the effect that the shine on our shop was like the colored man's blacking—the more it was rubbed the worse it would shine.

Up to this time, neither I nor my family, particularly speaking, had taken any part in the social and church worlds of the community. I had been attending Simpson's Chapel M. E. church and finally joined it. I attended closely to business to the evident dislike of the "croakers" who insisted upon starting all kinds of absurd rumors and reports about our business, among other things claiming that Mr. Carter was the moneyed man of the firm, was paying all the expenses, and that we were bound to fail. About two weeks after we had been opened, it rained one day in the neighborhood of two hours very hard, and there was not during the time a customer in the shop, but in all the years that have passed since then, I record with gratification that not thirty minutes have gone by but what there was a customer, one or more, in the shop.

About two years after the opening of the shop Mr. Carter, my partner died, and when this sad event in our business life occurred, the gossippers commenced again. All kinds of wild predictions, some ridiculous and very funny, the concensus of which were, now that Mr. Carter had been taken off, he being the man who held the money-bags, that the shop would either go the wall or pass into the hands of some aspiring white man. I said nothing, but "sawed wood." The gossippers even went so far, while Mr. Carter still lingered in life and was prone upon his death-bed, to visit his house and warn his family that I would surely rob them, and that they ought to make some arrangement while it was time, to prevent me from taking their property from them. Mr. Carter's attention being called to these things, he said to his wife that he would cheerfully trust all he had on earth in my hands. He knew that I had dealt honestly and justly with him, that I had opportunities to rob him of hundreds of dollars, but did not do it.

On Mr. Carter's demise, his wife was appointed administratrix. She appeared to be apprehensive for fear she would have trouble. I called upon her and in about two hours we had the business settled amicably, to the mutual satisfaction of all parties concern d, between us, Mrs. Carter's comment being that the man she expected to have the most trouble with turned out to be the easiest to handle. I offered her, and she accepted $2,000 for her interest in the business. She would liked to have continued in the business, but I insisted that in the end of two years I did not intend to have a partner; my reason for this step being that it put me in a position to dictate and arrange my affairs as affecting the shop as I saw fit. Although the first cost of the shop was $4,000, I had made up my mind not to stop here, but to place on it some extensive improvements. Since the day, April 18, 1885, when we opened our place of business, then by far the finest that Indianapolis had ever seen, at an expense of $4,000, I have spent upon it in beautifying, re-arranging, re-fitting with modern appliances, etc., $10,000. The barber shop proper, distinct from the ladies' department, gives employment to twenty-seven people. In my barber business alone in the city of Indianapolis I give employment to forty people.

In 1888 I was chosen by Simpson Chapel congregation as a delegate to the annual conference of the M. E. church which was held that year in March in Cincinnati. By this conference I was honored by being elected a lay delegate to the great General Conference of that church, held in New York City in the month of May, 1888. Of the part I took in that great meeting, the impressions it made upon me, and I upon it, if any, I shall speak in a succeeding number.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Corner-stone Laid.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Elder Frederick Myers and Elder Jas. Randall arrived in the city on the 20th ult. Manuel Carter, Miss Ollie Carter of Leeper, and Hence Whirley of St Louis attended the services of the laying of the corner-stone of Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church. The edifice newly erected is a most magnificent and grand structure, handsomely ornamented, and has quite a large seating capacity. The G. U. O. of O. F., K. of P's. and Tent of the Knights of Tabor turned out in full dress regalia and uniforms, presenting a most gorgeous parade. After the ceremonies performed by Bishop Jas. A. Handy a contribution of $50.58 was taken up. Bishop A. Handy preached at 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pink Hople married Miss Geneva Whitesides on the 21st ult., after services at Pleasant Hill Baptist church. Messrs. A. Buliner, H. M. Favell, and D. J. Townsend left Sunday night July 21st for St. Joseph to attend the Grand Session of the K. of P's. Richard Phillips returned from Prize Point, Miss., on the 23rd ult. Miss Siss Marilee left for her home at Commerce and Johnny Richardson for Charleston on the 25th ult. Rev. Jones of Cape Girardeau arrived in the city on the 26th ult. Mrs. Mattie Blackburn left for her home at Commerce, and Miss Fanny Whirley returned to Charleston on the 27th.

Personal Mention.

South Charleston, O., Special.

The literary feature in the Christian Endeavor is predominant. Rev. Doctor S. Moten, B. D., of Shorter Chapel preached Sunday morning and evening. Extra interesting services in the evening in the Endeavor, etc also at the North Street A. M. E. church camp meeting, Springfield, O., one evening last week. The Rev. Moten will preach at the London, O., campmeeting, Sunday next by special request. Subject, "Do what you can." Rev. W. H. Artis, the revivalist, is the guest of Mrs. Elsie T. Winslow and family. Pearl Winslow and Rev. Moten enjoyed a pleasant entertainment at the Misses Roberts recently. Rev. Dr. Moten preached for his Lee Chapel congregation Wednesday evening. Everybody should, and the Afro-American really and racially ought to subscribe for the always readable and reliable Freeman while it is almost given to the reading public for a few days at 75c a year.

Deeply in Love.

KANSAS CITY, MO., July 27, 1895.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Dear Sir—I am pleased to hand you herewith my subscription to The Freeman, the race's greatest advocate, to date from Sept. 1895 to Sept. 1896. When I say to you I have on file in my home beautifully bound in yearly volumes a copy of every issue of the "Great Illustrated" rom Oct. 1889 to present date, you may judge just how much I am in love with The Freeman.

Yours for good journalism,

JNO. J. THOMAS,

Shipping Clerk for S. & F.

Lost Relative.

I am anxious to know the whereabouts of my uncle Willis Staten. The last I heard from him, (four years ago) he was living at, or near Minshall, Ind. His oldest daughter, Alice Verta, prior to them, had been living at Crawfordsville, Ind. About the time mentioned above, she wrote to me, that her mother, (aunt Harriette, wife of Willis Staten) had deceased, and she had gone to her father's to stay, I have written many letters to them, at Minshall, Ind., and at Crawfordsville, Ind., since that date, but have not, as yet, heard anything from them. Any one knowing their where abouts will confer a great favor, by informing Simon P. Randolph, Jr., Steeles store, Brazos county, Texas.

Teachers' Literary Entertainment.

Calvert, Tex., Special.

The Teachers' Literary entertainment, conducted by Prof. L S. Miller, at Bethel Baptist church Monday night, the 22d, ult., was a grand affair. Opened with prayer by Rev. L. J. Massey; singing by choir; solo, Miss Mary Raynor; welcome address by Prof. W. R. Patterson; singing by choir; response by Prof. W. D. Porter; "The Normal," by Prof. N. T. Walker; singing by the choir; declamation by Prof. L. L Thompson; singing by choir. Miss Catherine McGower, who has been attending Tillotson Institute, Austin, Tex., has just arrived in the city. Mrs. Nellie Foster, who has been attending the Normal at Waco, Tex., has returned home to attend the Normal Mrs Chloe Woods, formerly of this city, but now of Houston, is visiting relatives. Miss Jennie Shepherd and Preston Humble were married on Thursday evening, the 25th, ult., Rev. J. B. Raynor officiating. The wedding was held at the residence of the groom's brother, Jake Curtis, and was quite a brilliant affair. The couple left the next day for Bryan, where they will spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Humble. A Coleman has returned from Martin, where he has been engaged in the tailoring business. The A. M. E. church having been painted and papered inside last week, is now one of the most magnificent churches of the race in the city. Its worthy pastor, Rev. A. Crawford, deserves much credit for his untiring energy in the upbuilding of the church. Bishop Lee preached an excellent sermon at the A. M. E. church last Sunday, the 28th, ult. J. H. Hutchinson's shaving parlor is one of the nicest in the city, and will do nice work. Give them a call. The teachers are coming in every day to the Normal. The prospects are good for a large attendance.

A Reception Tendered.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Miss Lucinda Wilson is teaching. Mrs. M. B. Gaines and Co, of Pittsburg, Pa., played to very large audiences last week. Rev. P. E. White of the M. E. church is teaching on his last quarter. The learned divine preached a very able sermon on the 28th inst. A party was given at the domicile of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Evans in honor of Mrs. D. M. Crossthwaite and Miss H. V. Smith of Nashville. Misses Jimmie Russel, Sancher, Reed, Leler, Greer, and Cora McKinney of the same city, and S. Webster of Wartrace, and many other young ladies and gentlemen attended. They engaged in dancing until an early hour of the morning. Supper was served at the proper time which consisted of the delicacies of the season. All left well pleased. Gen. John B. Gordon lectured to a crowded house on the 25th. Mrs. A. R. Winter returned from Nashville last week. Mrs. E. L. Peacock went to the City of Rocks on the 27th. Rev. J. A. Jones went to the District Conference on the 26th. He will go to see his mother before returning. His sister returned home on the 23rd. Prof. R. G. Daniel made a speech at a town near Unionville on the 28th. The twelve clubs are working very hard to get money to repair the Mt. Zion Baptist church. The work is moving on very well with the A. M. E. church. Many whites attended the meeting held by Prof. J. C. McAdams at the court house last week and spoke of him as being very smart. W. H. Gosling has purchased another very valuable lot adjoining his property. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

They Will Celebrate.

Morgantown, W. Va., Special.

The Emancipation committee are making all arrangements to show their visitors a grand time September 24th, as this celebration will be the first ever held in this county. The Freeman will contain a full account Mesdames L. J. Holland, Lamon Harris, Wash Holt and Mrs. R. E. Jenkins are numbered among the sick this week. J. H Hunt was at Banning Station, Pa, on a business trip this week. Messrs. T. C. Blue and Wm. Speakes, head and second waiter at Mont Chateau Hotel at Una spent a few hours home visiting friends and also subscribed for the great race paper, The Freeman. Charley Robinson of Uniontown, Pa., is visiting friends here. Mrs. Robert Hamilton is lying very low. The members of the M. E. and A. M. E. churches should look after the old lady in her affliction. Miss Alice Mandexter of Uniontown, Pa., is a guest at the Mont Chateau Hotel. Messrs. Richard Cheatham and J. H. Hunt spent the day at Point Marion, Pa. The M. E. congregation will not hold campmeeting this year, but will hold a one-day meeting at Round Bottom.

The Fairmont (white) Brass Band has been secured to play here for the Emancipation celebration Sept. 24th. A. G. Smith will take charge of our public school this year. Mrs. Leanna Hunt will move her residence from Maine to Front street. Rev. Eli McKnight, pastor of the A. M. E. church will hold a three week's campmeeting at Morris Cross Roads, Pa., commencing August 4th. Lamond Harris is visiting friends at Parkersburg. Miss Lucy Coston entertained a few friends Friday night. Those present were: Misses Mary and Jessie Holland, Pauline and Maud Blue, and Robert Pickard. Wm. Holland has been serving as head caterer at Gans Hotel, Morris Cross Roads this week. On the evening of the 26th a grand reception was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson in the East End. The evening was spent in games and plays of various kinds, after which there was a fine menu served. Those present were Misses Emma Jackson, Mary Boggus, Ella McKnight, Hannah Edwards, Jennie Harris, Messrs. W. P. Clark, Burnett Anderson, Abraham Coston, Adam Hedrick, Lamon Harris and Mr. Hanshaw of Pittsburg.

Personal Notes.

Alton, Ill., Special.

G. W. Wooden, grand master of the state will visit us several days next week. The camp meeting which has been in progress for two weeks has been well attended. The annual picnic of the U. B F. and S. M. T., will take place August 1st, at Morris Grove. We will give a full sketch of the Lovejoy Association in our next writing.

To Aid the Sufferers.

South McAlister, I. T. Special.

The P. E. of the A. M. E. church is appealing to the general public for our suffering people in Oklahoma. Any one sending help can send to Rev. E. M. Argyle, Guthrie, O. T.. Rev. J. E. Weir, Elreno, O T. The whites sending aid do not help our people and they need help REV. WM. B. JOHNSON,

July 30th 1895.

A GIFTED HARPIST.

Miss Hart, the Indianapolis Musician, Meets Generous Recognition.

Miss Myrtle Hart, the only colored harpist in the world, is in Chicago.

She came here with her father, Prof. Henry Hart, took part in a musical program at Quinn Chapel last week, and returned afterwards to Wawasee, Ind., where she and her father and sister nightly furnish music for the entertainment of the guests at Wawasee Inn, a pretty summer resort.

Miss Hart is an Indiana girl, born in Evansville and raised and educated in Indianapolis, and, although this was the first time she had ever played before a colored audience in Chicago, it was not the first time that she had been heard here, for she played in the British exhibit at the World's Fair and the costly instrument upon which she performed at Quinn Chapel was exhibited by its manufacturers in the Columbian Exposition.

All the members of the family are violinists, and the father, Prof. Henry Hart, is one of the best known colored musicians in the United States. Besides, he performs upon several other instruments and was his daughter's first teacher on the harp. After acquiring a general knowledge on the harp from her father, Miss Hart came to Chicago and studied for three years under Edmond Schuecker, formerly professor of the harp at Leipsic, Germany, and is now harp soloist in Theodore Thomas' orchestra.

A Daily News reporter found Miss Hart very approachable just before her rehearsal at Quinn Chapel. She said: "I have been playing since my babyhood—almost. In fact, I can't remember when I learned music. I first played the piano, then learned the harp. I play only by inspiration. I can do nothing unless inspired. All the members of my family are musicians—and girls, except my father and sister Willie. She's a boy. That is, we wanted her to be one and she wasn't, so we named her for one anyway. It's dreadful to be without a big brother. And, say, there's one thing I wish you to add: Please say that I don't like the "new woman," hate bloomers and haven't read "Trilby" No, I don't believe the harp will ever become as popular as the piano, because it is too difficult to learn"

Nevertheless, the talented young woman is very much in love with her harp, and has thoroughly mastered it. Her playing is marked by brilliant execution, pure tones and extreme delicacy of touch. Her fingering is graceful and easy. Her pieces last night were. "Fantasie Brilliante," by Parrish-Alvars; "Morceau," by Oberthur, and a harp accompaniment to a tenor solo by George Henderson, a popular colored singer. She gave as encores: "The Bohemian Girl," and "The Last Rose of Summer."

Miss Hart is a beautiful and accomplished young woman, with scarcely enough Negro blood to reveal her nationality. She is tall and very graceful, and her eyes dance with girlish merriment. She has the kind of lips that nestling poets generally designate as "cherries," and her abundant mass of wavy, brown hair is as light as the average blonde's.

The Hart family consist of father, mother and five daughters, one of whom is married and lives in Chicago. The family home is in Indianapolis. Prof. Hart is one of the wealthiest colored citizens of the Hoosier Capital, and is very influential there—Chicago News.

Bethel Church in a Bad Way.

Baton Rouge, La., Special.

The dissatisfaction among the members of Bethel church on account of the loose or careless manner in which the finances have been handled by the heads is steadily growing, bordering almost on a rupture that will take cool heads to obviate. The books have been badly kept, and, we are told, that a very unsatisfactory account was given of the money raised in the last three or four years. The pink ice given by the Harper Volunteers, at Mrs. Heedley's, was a very pretty affair. The little ones looked lovely in their dresses of pink as they flitted about by the light of a score of Chinese lanterns. The large yard was splendidly arranged, and with its great spreading trees and the many colors seemed to blend into a magnificent picture. The Southern Cornet band discoursed sweet music on the occasion and the children danced to their hearts content. To Mrs. George Washington. Susan Heedly and J. Bell is indebted the success of the affair. Miss Lizzie Nelson, one of the teachers in the city school, left last week for Washington, D. C., where she goes to spend the summer with Mrs. J. B. Askins. Mizpah Lodge 2045, G. U. O. of O. F. gave an excursion to Plaquemine on the 15th, the occasion being the anniversary of the Pride of Iberville Lodge. P. N. F., Wm. Duplessis, of Mizpah, was orator of the day. The entertainment given for the benefit of Bethel A. M. E. church by a number of young ladies did not turn out as well as expected, on account of the inclement weather. Miss L. V. Holt, after several months stay, left Thursday on the city of Hickman for St. Louis to spend a month. While there she will be the guest of Mrs. Lettie Caraway, 2223 Chestnut street. The terribly depressive feeling caused by this hot weather has been relieved by a number of showers. A number of society events are on the tapis and we can hold ourselves in readiness for anything and almost anytime. We think we saw tears welling up in our friends eyes when Miss Holt left.

A Successful Concert.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Miss Alice Farrow left for Nashville this week accompanied by Mrs. Chas. Barnes. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caloway a fine boy. Miss E. Caldwell of Nashville is in the city the guest of Miss A. Taylor on Early street. Hurbert Councill was in the city Sunday from Huntsville, Ala. C. E. Newton, The Freeman agent, was on the sick list last week. Mrs. Rowan on Leonard street is improving very fast since Dr. Rice has visited her from Cincinnati. There was quite a large excursion in the city last week from Ashville N. C. The musical concert at the Congregational church Thursday evening under the auspices of Miss Mayme P. Caloway was quite a success. The solos by Miss Caloway and Farrow of Nashville, who assisted her, were more than excellent and the duett was also rich and full of melody. All other participants deserve special mention, but space will not permit it. Master Jimmie Winkley of New York, recited and it would have taken an elocutionist to have excelled him. It is probable that it will be repeated in the near future. Rev. M. Vann has returned from the convention held in Clarksville, Tenn., last week. Rev. G. W. Parks of Knoxville, was in the city last week. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at Dr. O. W. James' drug store, C. E. Newton agent. If you have news items for The Freeman leave them at the drug store before Sunday of each week to insure publication in the current issue. Five cents pays for The Freeman a week. Let us have your subscription.

Open to the Public.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The gospel ship left the wharf on last Sunday with a large crowd on board for Cairo, Ill. Services were conducted by Rev. Stanford of Burks Chapel and Rev. Jones of the C. M E. church. The Washington St. Baptist church will be thrown open to the public on the first Sunday in August, when a grand rally will take place. The General Association of Baptists will convene here on August 13th, indications point to a large attendance. A party of young people from Mayfield, Ky., will arrive here on the morning of the 5th to take in the big St. Louis excursion. Alfred Hale, a well known young man, was fatally stabbed by Henry Bush on last Sunday during the progress of a game of base ball. Hale expired in a few moments. Miss Maud Mansfield is visiting friends in Springfield, O. Mrs. Mahala Reeves of Massac county Illinois, is visiting her daughter, Louisa Bradshaw on Jackson street The Opera company will soon begin rehearsals on their new play, the cast will include twenty-five people The Freeman for sale every Saturday at 419 Jackson street.

From the Field of Sport.

The Herculeans defeated the Knightstown team Monday by a score of 21 to 9.

Frank Gillespie, official handicapper of the Douglass Cycling club of Chicago, was criticised severely for the way he handicapped the riders in the road-race last Saturday.

Henry Stewart, the St. Louis wheelman who participated in the road-race of Chicago last Saturday and finished one second behind "Major" Taylor the Indianapolis "crack" is a "fast man," and will make his mark in the racing world.

Billy McClain, an old Indianapolis boy, but now of Brooklyn, N. Y., is playing with Davis and Klough Suwanee River Co. Mr McClain is author of the play, and it is said to be the greatest colored show that was ever produced, the scenery costing $40,000.

The Herculean ball team defeated the crack New Castle team in two hotly contested games last Wednesday and Thursday by the scores of 5 to 4 and 3 to 1. The "Herks" have not been defeated this season, and are very anxious to meet the unbeaten Unions of Chicago.

The ten-mile-road-race given by the Douglass Cycling club of Chicago last Saturday was won by S. Carroll Huddell of Chicago, who had a handicap of three minutes, "Major" Taylor the Indianapolis flyer and scratch man, winning the time prize in 27 minutes and 52 seconds. The race started at Fifty-fifth and Halstead avenue and was witnessed by several thousand people.

Wedding Bells.

Greencastle, Ind., Special.

The St. Paul Baptist church had their basket meeting in a beautiful grove near by. A pleasant time was had during the day meeting conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. D Leonard. Collection $12.00. The marriage of Mr. James Milem and Mrs. Mathey S. Alexander was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hicks, 291 Pleasant street, July 24th. Relatives and a few friends witnessed the marriage. Many valuable presents were given. Rev. R. D. Leonard performed the ceremony.

DELIGHTFUL SUMMER RESORT.

The Hotel Waiters' First Grand Ball—The "400" in Attendance.

Mackinac Island, Mich., Special.

Everything is booming now in this delightful summer resort, and the season is at its height. Everyone seems bent upon extracting all the pleasure and fun there is in it; in fact, it forms an interesting study to watch how rich people will work real hard for the sake of the fun there is in it. They have their cycling, boating, fishing, picnic, yachting and dancing parties, and then there are the wagon, hay, mountain and dray parties, which seem to delight the younger element of resorts; yet the avowed purpose of these people in coming to Mackinac is for rest and recuperation. Colored people? Well, yes, they are here too, to the extent of nearly two hundred; one hundred and thirty of whom are employed at the Mountain Grand Hotel.

The Grand Hotel waiters gave their first grand ball the 22d ult, and it was a grand success There were many of the distinguished guests of the Grand hotel present and took part in the first waltz. Among the waiters' "400" present were: T. J. Utley, of Cincinnati, and Miss Rosa Bean, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Frank Douglass, of Louisville, and Miss Mamie Allison, of Grand Rapids; R. W. Wallace, of Cincinnati, and Miss M. Stanford, of Kalamazoo; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brooks, of Detroit. S. L. Bledsoe, head waiter, and Louis Huey, second waiter of the Grand, seemed to enjoy the excellent music furnished by the Waiters' orchestra. A most excellent banquet was served by Mrs. Ford, of the Bland restaurant. Messrs J. H. Burns and J. D. Campbell were directors of the grand affair.

The colored elite will have another good time Aug. 5th, when the waiters will give their second grand ball. Among the many strangers within our gates, are Messrs. G. Simms, Clark Duncan, A. J. Young, of Springfield, Ill., the home of the inevitable Dr. Henderson; Frank Douglass and B. Barber, of Louisville; Dr S. A. Level, of Hot Springs; Chas. A. Warren, J. H. Wilson and wife, Lula Allison, of Grand Rapids; Henry Williams, of Detroit; W. H. Jones, of Lansing; Wm. Phillips, of Lima, O; George Ware, of Windsor, Ont; George Stocton. The ladies are here in large numbers also. Among them are, Mesdames L. A. Davis, of Chicago; Morris, of Detroit; Misses Merrill Ambey and Sarah Foster, of Kalamazoo, and many others; your representative being somewhat bashful, has not learned their names. The Freeman is for sale at Warren's barber shop, and by J. D. Campbell, of the Grand hotel.

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For the wrongs that need resistance
For the future in the distance
And the good that they can do."
Is your home unhappy?
Is your wife or husband untrue?
Is your lover inconstant?
Are you followed by bad luck?
Is your business not prosperous?
Have you any enemies?

In short, is the dark wing of adversity hovering round your daily life barring you from the golden sunshine of peace, love, contentment, and prosperity? If so, remember that you may find a true explanation of all your troubles and a speedy and permanent relief by calling on these naturaly endowed and scientifically cultivated men of miracles. Many a blighted home has been made the sanctum of love and happiness. Many a mother, wife, husband and father has been rescued from the road to ruin by their kind advise and timely aid. Many hundreds of girls who were once homeless hopeless and friendless, robbed of all but a sad rememberance of their once happy lives, have been shown the way to an honorable and prosperous life, and now are wives of honorable successful men. When fortune frowns upon your efforts, your friends pass coldly by. And "all the world seems sad and dreary," remember there are those to whom the great God of nature has given the power to aid you in any trouble or anxiety that may come upon you. Come and find a solace in their aid.

Prof. M. Clare, and Rondo, are the only men this side the broad Atlantic who understands how to make and successfully work the ancient Egyptian "talisman" or "charm," for lovers wives and husbands; will bring lovers back, and restore peace between husband and wife. Also the Chinese magnet which brings good luck and success to all who have it. They tell you the full name, age, occupation, disposition, and financial standing of your present lover, or your future husband or wife, and date of marriage, satisfaction positively guarenteed to all. Office hours, 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., daily and Sunday. Address all communications to Prof. C. Rondo, 333 North Illinois St., Indianapolis. Indiana. Letters with stamp answered.

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AS TO "BEN" HARRISON.

"The Indianapolis Freeman appears to look kindly upon the Hon. Benjamin Harrison of Indiana as the next Presidential candidate of the Republican party. General Harrison is alright, but he has had two swipes at the pie, and insists that he does not want another."—New York Age.

Certainly we do, and so do you, being a patriotic and sensible observer of the needs of the hour, the MAN of the hour, and the signs of the times. Mr. Harrison, as you well know, has insisted upon nothing, neither yea nor nay, in the direction intimated by you. He is not to be held, nor are the people holding him for the vapory fabrications of the newspaper "interviewer," burning for distinction along the lines of the sensational and startling Gen. Harrison will be the next nominee of the National Republican Convention, for the simple, but powerful reason, he is the most available; he will be the next President of these UNITED STATES, not because he is sacrificing his sense of fitness and dignity in seeking to be but because the American people want him and will elect him, and when elected he will have no warmer espouser than yourself, past declarations and present attitude, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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"Ex-President Ben Harrison has given it out that he is not, nor will he be at any time a candidate for the President. This is, indeed, good news. The Negro, as a citizen, has nothing to do in displacing Grover Cleveland in the White House and substituting Benjamin Harrison. Harrison is the worst man as far as the Negro is concerned, that the Republican party could elect as President"—Pine Bluff Echo.

We have just gotten through reminding the editor of the Age, Mr. Harrison has did nothing of the kind. Just about now, in this glorious summer time, he is putting in the balmy morning and evening hours, coqueting with the finny tribes, in the clear, pellucid waters of a crystal lake, hard by a surburban New York village, and when not thus delightfully engaged, is regaling his rustic neighbors, regardless of party or race on the inspiring beauties of the American flag and the principles for which it stands. Of his own volition we doubt not, he will not again be a candidate for the presidency, but the people have a way, at times, of going after a good man whether he would or not, thrusting honors upon him in the name of expediency and that wholesome wisdom that laughs at the piques of disgruntled politicians or the "jobs" of rings and sectional combinations. The cool facts of history will yet declare that the Negro has had no more consistent and unswerving advocate of his rights as an American citizen than Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana. As an editor, for whom we have much respect, and who, we believe, strives to teach his reading clientage the truth, you should, by all means not permit a hasty, narrow conclusion get the better of your editorial vision.

Mr. Harrison cannot be justly blamed for not accomplishing for the Negro that, that was impossible. A president of the United States when accepting, office swears to enforce the constitution and the laws as he finds them when he takes his seat, beyond that he cannot go. True, in his State papers and as far as he himself is personally concerned he may improve his opportunities to condemn this or that evil as it shall effect this or that class of American citizens; further than this his hands are tied, and here complaining criticism should end. It is hard for many well meaning colored men to realize that the reconstruction methods of the early years following the war have fallen into disuse and the Negro, whether fortunate or unfortunate, must take his chances alike with other American citizens and hold the LAW and not its administrators when protection or justice is denied him under its provisions. No man, as president, ever went further than General Harrison in condemning the atrocites practiced upon the Negro in the Southland and by suggestion advice and lamentation strive to prick the national conscience into a condition of shame facedness and contrition for its errors. Further than this Mr. Harrison could not go, less than this he did not. Another thing Bro. Duke, against the ten million Negroes, more or less, there are some fifty odd millions of whites whose rights, supposed or real, have to be conserved and considered whoever shall be president, of whatever political stripe, and this fact is frequently lost sight of by impatient heroes of the race.

PERIODICALS

The A. M. E. Church Review for this month is a splendid affair, worthy to take rank with the best periodicals of the day. The frontispiece, is a fine picture of Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, Recorder of Deeds, who is a contributor to a very readable symposium on Frederick Douglass, supplied by T. Thomas Fortune, McCants Stewart, Dr. W. D. Derrick, and others. The editor of the Review, Dr. Coppin, is doing the race and his church great service, through this splendid publication which should be generally subscribed to by the race.

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Other periodicals finding a place upon our table are The Christian Educator Bi Monthly, Cincinnati, Ohio, The Chautauquan for August, crammed full of choice reading information, a Cyclopedia of Current Events, Minutes of League of Republican Clubs, which recently convened in Cleveland, O., journal of Lexington Conference of A M. E. church for '95, and the Educational Journal of Athens, Ga.

STILL John Waller, Negro and American citizen, languishes in prison; still the frog eating Frenchman chews his cud of nonchallent indifference; still Uncle Sam poses among the nations, the biggest cur in the universal shooting match.

IF this man Holmes has been guilty of the crimes piled up at his door, he is the greatest criminal of the century and is on earth at the wrong period. He should have lived in the days of the Borgia's a fit companion of those eminent life takers of the darkest period of Catholic Europe

DOUGLASS' aphorism "the Republican party is the deck, all outside is the sea." is as true this hour, as it was the day it dropped from his eloquent, flame kissed lips.

AM I?

SONG (TUNE—ARLINGTON C. M.)

Am I a subject for the mob,
To shoot, or burn. or hang?
Must I be placed beneath the sod
By such a murderous gang?

Dare I, my lips, to part to her,
White face and blacken'd heart;
Must I, my life give up so dear,
Must I now make the start?

Since I am of the Negro race,
I'm held for each one's shame;
Oh, God! help them observe the laws,
To share another's blame?

Are there no friends to plead my cause,
Or must I face their ire?
Oh, God! help them observe the laws,
O, save me from the fire!

If I am laid away to rest?
In fire about me hot!
O, number me among the blest;
Mine eyes burnt out, and shot!

Dear God, Thou knowest we are weak
In number. strength and grace;
Help me my God, some word to speak
To benefit my race;

W. ROBT. B. ALEXANDER,
Hot Springs, S. D., July 25, 1895.

LOOK ABOVE AND BEYOND, BROTHER.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 27, 1895.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

SIR:—After having read carefully an article written by Josephine E. Ghant, "Shall we Employ White or Colored Teachers," I must say that I was disappointed, and regret that I have been a liberal contributor for so many years past to a cause that has not been appreciated by the Negro people. I am a Methodist, and our church, "as you know," takes a special collection each year for Southern Educational work. If this article had made its appearance in last week's issue, I would have now in my pocket some money that is on its road South. "We took this year's collection" last Sunday. In the future I will place my money where we will get "thanks" for it. I shall call our pastor's attention to this article of your Miss Josephine, and I think next year when he goes to take our subscriptions for the various benevolent work of the church, he will not be so earnest in his appeal to us for "liberal contributions to Southern Education work."

Yours truly, "METHODIST."

The mistake that "Methodist" makes is in confounding Miss Ghant with the four or five millions of other colored people of the South. MISS GHANT has the right of opinion, no one can gainsay her that, but no more. We do not understand the lady sought to express her views, as an oracle, as voicing the feelings, wishes and desires of the millions of the race living in the South, nor do we believe that she desires to be understood as doing so. There is no more grateful and appreciative person than the Negro. The iron hand of adversity and oppression has seared and blighted him, has left its scar not only upon his person, but deep into his very soul, but beyond that, its blighting touch has left no stain. He may be ignorant, he is; poor, he is; but ungrateful, as between those who have pursued, have hunted, crushed and maimed him, and the friends who have succored and befriended him, NEVER! He knows, all the world knows, that the great M. E. Church, since and before the days of his manumission, has been in the main an unremitting, unswerving friend. Her appeals to the higher, better conscience and philanthropy of this great nation have been in his behalf. The purses and means of the noble men and women composing its membership, has been ever open to his wants. Colleges, schools, academies reared for his sole benefit, have sprung up all over the country, and the advantages of education and culture have shed their beneficent rays, athwart his pathway, from the place of the freedman to the proud eminence of the American citizen. No one is better acquainted with these facts in the history of the great church, that our bright correspondent, MISS GHANT, and we wot not no one has less desire to obscure them What Miss Ghant knows, what all the world knows, what we know, "Methodist," knowing as he does, should not lose sight of, or weary in well doing, regardless of the opinion of any person, effecting a matter, at best but collateral to the one overshadowing one, "Methodist" should look above, what he may consider the idiosyncracies and ingratitude of the one individual, and bending his eyes steadfastly upon the needs of the millions, keep straight on in his good work, looking neither to the right, nor the left, remembering at all times, and in the face of all discouragements, the words of the Master, "even as you do it to one of these, My little ones. you do it also unto ME."

A NEGLECTED MARTYR.

"But, gentlemen, as long as I am an American citizen and as long as American blood run in these veins, I shall hold myself at liberty to speak, to write, to publish whatever I pleas on any subject—being amenable to the laws of my country for the same." * * * * "I have sworn eternal opposition to slavery, and by the blessing of God I will never go back."—WORDS OF ELIJAH P. LOVEJOY.

Fifty-eight years ago the man who uttered those burning words was killed, shot down like an outlaw or a beast of prey in the streets of Alton, Ill., for pointing out the barbarism of slavery and urging, think of it men of this day, its gradual emancipation. Twenty-three years after, Owen Lovejoy, a brother of the murdered man, then a member of Congress from Illinois said in a public speech delivered at Alton.

"This is not the time nor the place to speak of my brother, or of the cause for which he died. Enough that he lives a dear and precious memory in the hearts of those he left behind. As for his cause time will vindicate that as surely as God lives and reigns. Twenty-three years ago the blood of my brother, slain in these streets, ran down and mingled with the waters of the mighty river which sweeps past your city to the sea

"The Avon to the Severn runs,
The Severn to the sea—
And scattered wide as Wycliffe's name,
Shall Wycliffe's ashes be."

Three years that splendid and feeling tribute was spoken, the cause for which his noble brother died was VINDICATED and made forever holy by the official action of another and a later Illinoisian in the person of a man who, at the time of Lovejoy's murder, was unknown but whose name, Abraham Lincoln, today is household in every land under the sun. And as striking commentary on the watchful eye on Him who has declared: "Vengence is mine, I will repay" Dr. Jas. Jennings, the man whose fingers pulled the trigger that set free the soul of Lovejoy's was cut to pieces in a bowie knife fight in a Vicksburg, Miss., bar room years after, while his ardent accomplice, one Dr. Beall, a wanderer on the Western plains was captured by the Comanche's and burned at the stake. In a recent speech delivered in St. Louis by Hon. Thomas Dimmock, late of the St. Louis Republic, we glean an account of the last resting place and the vicisitudes that have even overtaken the bones of this neglected martyr to the cause of the black man and free speech, since his untimely taking off, nearly sixty years ago. Concluding his brilliant and touching effort in memory of as brave a man as ever trod the earth, and a friend to the Negro at a time when to be such was to court cruel ostracism and almost cerdeath, he said:

"More than forty years ago, with a companion somewhat older than myself I sought and found the grave of Lovejoy. It was then between two quite, large oak trees and was identified by a small pine board, on which was rudely carved the initials "E P L." The present city cemetery of Alton, was then an open common. When it was laid out and inclosed, trees and board disappered and the main avenue passed directly over the grave, the location of which would have been hopelessly lost but for the late William Brudon, superintendent of the cemetery, who marked the spot by two fragraments of limestone, almost a level with the ground, of which very few knew the meaning. After being thus trodden under foot by man and beast for several years the late Maj Chas. W. Hunter had the remains removed to where they now are just opposite his own family lot in ground then owned by him. William Johnson, a colored man born in Scotland—and who, by the way, laid the last stone in the tower of the old Cathedral on Walnut street—had buried Lovejoy the first time and had charge of his removal. He told me that some bits of bone and a handful of dust were all he could find."

Steps have been taken by the State of Illinois to erect a becoming monument to the memory of the heroic dead, a bill having been passed by the State Legislature appropriating $25,000 for the purpose, on the condition that $12,000 be raised by the Lovejoy Monument Association, no later than January 1st, '96. Now here is a chance that no Negro in America should be ungrateful enough to hunt for an excuse not to respond too. Those desireous of doing so mention THE FREEMAN; and with John E. Hayner treasurer of the Association and National Savings Bank, Alton, Ill. Of Lovejoy's last resting place it may well be said:

Such graves as these are pilgrim shrines—
Shrines to no code or creed confined;
The Delphian vales, the Palestines,
The Meccas of the mind.

WILL THIS GOVERNMENT ACT?

The Cuban insurrection has now continued several months, and to the mother country, the signs grow more and more discouraging daily that she will ultimately triumph over her insurgent subjects. Nor should she; all the laws of humanity, justice and equity, alike protest against such a possibility. The Cuban insurgents, and

Brave men are they,

Are laying down their lives, for an eternal principle, against the whiteness and perpetuity of which, the cause of the oppressors, the Spanish government, is very black, and deserves success from no standpoint of reason and justice; such justice as the American colonies appealed to Great Britain for in vain, and only secured it at last through the arbritiment of war. True valor, brave, unremitting, when expended in a noble cause, deserves the general sympathy of mankind, and the approbation and countenance of civilized and christian nations The world to-day holds no braver men, shedding their blood in a nobler cause, giving their lives freely to perpetuate the self same principles that Washington struggled for, and Grant, Sheridan and Sherman defended than these, black and white natives of the Queen of the Antillas, and what the course of this nation should be towards them, it seems to us is very clear. From this on, each day that the United States of America withholds its powerful recognition from the struggling patriots, the cause of human liberty becomes more obscured, and its defenders more and more discouraged. The comity of nations, as lain down by usage and practice, has no doubt up to this time, prevented our government from acting, but there is a law of humanity, an irrepressible and sacred law, that is above usage and precedent, and now is the time right now for this great government to invoke its spirit, and put in practice its humanitarian object. Why should the United States government—itself an organized remonstrance against the tyranny of kings and empires, separated entirely by the "entangling alliances" of effete Europe, which is but one armed camp of jealous suspicious nations, be blindly guided by rules of action, born in desperation and sealed by slaughter and bloodshed, a bloody tribute of the "eternal rights of kings?" Standing for the newer and better principle of government of the people, by the people, for the people, this greatest Republic of the earth has had no more glorious opportunity, to clinch its boasted claim of being an eternal foe against organized wrong, than is now afforded it as between the cause of the Cuban patriots, and their oppressors from across the ocean. Upon this subject the New York Morning Advertiser, a great and fearless journal, thus reflects:

"We are angry and we do well to be angry at the atrocities of the unspeakable Turk in distant Armenia. We are indignant and we do well to be indignant at the thought of the legal slaughter of the helpless, ignorant, semi-savage Italian girl in this state. Yet we have an Armenia here at our door; and the fate of Maria Barberi, even if the full sentence of the law should be carried out, would be merciful in comparison with the fate of the wives and daughters of the Cuban insurgents when they fell into the hands of the hired bravoes of Spain. Shame on us if we remain silent when brave men are fighting for freedom against foreign tyranny within the very shadow of our flag! Shame on us if in this crucial struggle, when one manly word from Washington would drive the oppressors from Cuba, we let the cobwebs of musty precedent blind our eyes, the lying promises of foreign diplomats fetter our hands, and, like cowards, hold our tongues!

"If there is no precedent for the recognition of Cuban liberty by the United States, then, in the name of God and justice, let us make a precedent! There was no precedent in diplomacy for the Declaration of Independence and the American Republic. Yet who would discredit the work of the men of '76? What are the entanglements and selfish ambitions of European monarchies to seventy millions of Americans that we should act as their allies in throwing the weight of our influence on the side of tyranny and against the cause of liberty at our own threshold? The government of this nation has an opportunity to render an incalculable service to American principles, to humanity and to the cause of civilization by recognizing the belligerency of Cuba. Let the President act as Washington or Jefferson would have acted under similar circumstances. Let him act as Abraham Lincoln would have acted if he were alive and in the White House to-day!"

THE CURSE OF LYNCHING.

We offer no apology to our readers for the space given this week, to the editorial, "The Curse of Lynching" from the Pine Bluff Commercial(white) of July 20th, this year. The writer of the same, Mr. Charles Gordon Newton, is a Virginian by birth, and during the war shouldered his gun in the ranks of the Gray on behalf of his fatherland. Nevertheless, sinking the fealety of sectionalism on behalf of humanitarism, he has the courage to look his brethren of the South in the face, to rebuke them for their errors, and demand the crime of lynching shall have an end.

We observe with a degree of pure pleasure that Gov. Clarke has offered a reward of $200 each (the extent of his limit) for the apprehension of the villains who recently hung, under so-called mob law, two Negroes in Calhoun county. The governor goes still further and very properly condemns such a brutal course.

What has come over the people of the South in the past few years, anyway? And why should they take recourse to such an unmanly and inhuman species of revenge?

We grant that the heinous crime of rape should be met with a swift and certain death penalty, and we question if the moral good by mob law execution is as effective as a regular trial and due execution upon the gallows of the culprit. And surely for the crime of murder and lesser offenses no people, however, lax their habits, have the right, either in law, or by teachings of common humanity, to rush upon the prisons of the country, seize those charged of crimes and execute them by a rope tied around a limb of a tree, and then disperse and go unpunished. The principal is wrong from humanitarian point of view.

It is general conceded that the black man does not like the editor of The Commercial, and were he less intelligent and just he might be disposed to laugh every time the Negro is made to suffer. But he is not "built that way." He always has and always will criticise the Negro when it is necessary to do so, not because he wishes to tantalize them, but because not being their enemy he is anxious and desirous of seeing them improve and make progress in all that go to make a people whose aim should be to become enlightened, and thus by a friendly spirit of emulation, advance in the line of competition and ascend, if possible, along with the other races to highest fame and renowned pinnacle where glory should await all of God's children.

That the Negro has failed of many duties is not to be disputed. That he has not made the advancement expected of him since his liberation from serfdom, the peer of his brother caucasian and the self-laudatory braggart, who, from the hustlings for six thousand years has to the whole world proclaimed himself the superior of all of the other four races of people.

Yes, this same caucasian who, at least in some instances, might have died in infancy but for the faithful, fountain-like breast and tender carefulness of a black nurse; we say this same caucasian seems to have forgotten not only the statues of the land, but the kindness of the Negro men and women when a "friend in need was a friend in indeed." But we put aside all thoughts of gratitude. From our stand point let us admit that the Negro is not advancing in intellect and decorum; let us draw the fiercest and most horrible picture of them that we can and will hang it upon the wall. Then straitway "wheel our cushioned chair" to our drawing table and there map out, lay out, portray and paint a companion picture to the Negro and show the white man, aye, mobs of white men, in their true colors overpowering the law officers, breaking down the jails, seizing the untired and unconvicted, helpless prisoner, dragging him forth, hanging him in beastly fury to the first tree, with yells and repeated curses and imprecations yet added and heaped upon the dying culprit, and can any picture of the Negro be worse than the this that has been above described of the Caucasian?

Here we are a nation, pretending to be good protestant Christians. Not content with teaching our own people the code and principles of Christianity, we have declared that we must send missionaries abroad, and we do send them. And yet, right here in Arkansas, in the land and home of the supposed to be free and enlightened Caucasians, we find them unwilling to abide by the very laws they themselves enacted for the protection of all men.

There is villainy in mob law. No man of honor will engage in it at all unless under circumstances which we have mentioned, or because the officers will not do their duty. If in the latter case, if anybody has to be hung, hang the officials, but why the arrested, down-trodden, the pinioned, handcuffed prisoner, and especially that prisoner the weakest of all races, the Negro?

The time is here when the press of the country will have to speak out on this matter. Already two much time has been allowed to waste in bringing our people to a sense of justice and fair play. There should and must be a stop put to the mob law, else shut up the Bible, tear down the churches and burn up the school houses. To practice charity as taught by Christ; to profess morality when you are committing murder most foul; to cant and preach, and read and repeat the Golden Rule when you are bringing disgrace, desolation and dastardly death to your fellow-man is at the very moment hypocritical. It is guile, misrepresentation, false as hell, perversive, and must be overtaken by a just retribution from the Giver of all good gifts.

Let us be done with mob law. It is a disgrace to the now near 20th century. It is sinful in the extreme. It is barbaric beyond compare; it betokens and in reality invites all Christendom to believe you a whole body of moral cowards; it is truly hideous, damably outrageous; it proves only one thing, and that is that the people who indulge in it, or who permit it, are not only unworthy of freedom, but are dastards, arrant cowards and wretches, who are intuitively without spirit and, who deserved, as those they lynch, to die with their boots on.

"SHOW me the monuments of a people, and I will tell you of their worth" As yet, the Negro has reared no monuments, save those in the main to folly, improvidence, and wasted opportunity. The few great men and women he has produced, display a tenacity to live, somewhat discouraging to the hordes waiting to take their places.

Choir Reorganized.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

The corner stone of the new M. E church was laid last Sunday, by the Odd Fellows, several ministers were in attendance. P. E. Gilliam of Louisville, conducted the exercises. The A. M E. church had their opening last Sunday. A large crowd was in attendance. Collection for the day was thirty-six dollars. Mr. Laurance White is the happy father of a fifteen pound boy. Mother and babe doing well. Rev. Jessie Bass attended the grand opening and delivered an able discourse in the evening. The A.M.E. church choir has been reorganized and several new members added. Good music was rendered at the opening under the leadership of Mr. W. H. Stokes. Mr. Joe Watkins, the lighting barber of Anderson was in the city. He assisted the Odd Fellows in laying the corner stone of the M. E. church. Capt. Mitchell is a jolly tonsorial artist in the employment of Dr. Morin, took in the excursion to Cincinnati last week, he reports a grand time. Mr. James Roberts performed the duties of usher in the new A. M. E. church to the entire satisfaction of the members and friends. He is pleasant, graceful and obliging. The grand lodge of F. and A. M., will convene in the city on Tuesday August 24th, there are some important questions for discussion. Anyone wanting the leading journal of the race, The Freeman, will call on Renan Robbins, 115 W. Jackson street, Muncie, Ind.

Visitors Welcome.

Selma, Ala., Special.

Miss Emma Walton and Miss Lula Harrison of Vicksburg. Miss., are the guests of Miss Laura Murphey of the West end. All who come to Selma to visit will find their stay a pleasant one. Its breeze is delightful and other pleasures are too numerous to mention.

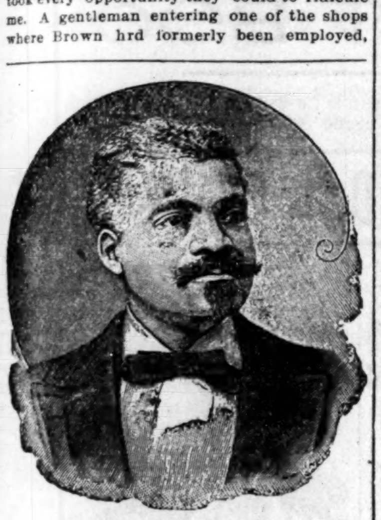
MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN!

COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX.

CHAPTER XXV.

After I had finally settled down in the city, I began to make inquiries concerning the whereabouts of Joseph Cameron. He and I were old acquaintances, dating back to the years '65 and '66, while I lived in Greenfield and he in Knightstown. We had become in the course of years very intimate friends. On one occasion, telling him of my intention of going to Indianapolis for the purpose of going into business, he stated he did not think it was the best thing I could do. "The city, you see, is full of barber shops and if you go there, the chances are that you cannot make it pay." We we standing near a telegraph pole, which seemed unusually high, and I bending my eyes on the top, he observed me and asked what I was looking at. I replied that I could not see a barber shop up there. He then asked me what I meant. I told him that in my new business venture I was going to commence at the top, saying to him, "these barber shops that you speak of are all on the ground." He then understood that I meant to open a barber shop superior to any in the city. I also further reminded him, in a jocular way, that because he came from Knightstown and failed in the music business in Indianapolis, it was no reason why I should not make an attempt to go into the barber business.

After I had been here quite a while and was commencing to do business, I employed a barber, very popular at that day in the city, known as "Dude" Brown. He was especially proficient as a cutter of ladies' bangs, which at that time were becoming "all the rage." Being fine looking, polite and affable, a neat and tasty dresser, he had, as a matter of course, a great following. I gave him employment and being a "country barber," the city barbers took every opportunity they could to ridicule me. A gentleman entering one of the shops where Brown hrd formerly been employed, and asking where he was, received the following description of my shop and how to find me: "You go down Meridian street about four doors from the corner on the east side of the street, and there in a room 21x21, you will find Brown working for a barber just from the country." The gentleman following directions finally found my place of business, and coming in, asked if there was a man there who had opened a barber shop, who came from a little country town. I spoke up very readily, and said: "Yes, I am the man." He then said that he did not want to see me but wanted a man by the name of Brown who was working for the country barber. I told him I had the man, and also said in conclusion that although I was a country barber, I was glad I was in town.



GEORGE L. KNOX.

Returning to the Bates House venture, we commenced in February preparing and getting ready and were to open on the first day of April 1885, but we did not open until the 18th of April the same year. We threw our doors open on the 18th and the shop being bran new, furnished and arranged beyond anything ever before attempted in Indianapolis, it as a matter of course created a great local sensation. It was the talk of the town. The daily papers made extended and complimentary notes of it, and throngs of people, men, women and children, were attracted threto, and came in groups to inspect the country barber's new place of business. The barbers of the city hastened to predict we would fail. They said in about six months the shine would be off and we would have a great shop upon our hands but no business. I replied to them when occasion required it, to the effect that the shine on our shop was like the colored man's blacking—the more it was rubbed the worse it would shine.

Up to this time, neither I nor my family, particularly speaking, had taken any part in the social and church worlds of the community. I had been attending Simpson's Chapel M. E. church and finally joined it, I attended closely to business to the evident dislike of the "croakers" who insisted upon starting all kinds of absurd rumors and reports about our business, among other things claiming that Mr. Carter was the moneyed man of the firm, was paying all the expenses, and that we were bound to fail. About two weeks after we had been opened, it rained one day in the neighborhood of two hours very hard, and there was not during the time a customer in the shop, but in all the years that have passed since then, I record with gratification that not thirty minutes have gone by but what there was a customer, one or more, in the shop.

About two years after the opening of the shop Mr. Carter, my partner died, and when this sad event in our business life occurred, the gossippers commenced again. All kinds of wild predictions, some ridiculous and very funny, the concensus of which were, now that Mr. Carter had been taken off, he being the man who held the money-bags, that the shop would either go the wall or pass into the hands of some aspiring white man. I said nothing, but "sawed wood." The gossippers even went so far, while Mr. Carter still lingered in life and was prone upon his death-bed, to visit his house and warn his family that I would surely rob them, and that they ought to make some arrangement while it was time, to prevent me from taking their property from them. Mr. Carter's attention being called to these things, he said to his wife that he would cheerfully trust all he had on earth in my hands. He knew that I had dealt honestly and justly with him, that I had opportunities to rob him of hundreds of dollars, but did not do it.

On Mr. Carter's demise, his wife was appointed administratrix. She appeared to be apprehensive for fear she would have trouble. I called upon her and in about two hours we had the business settled amicably, to the mutual satisfaction of all parties concern d, between us, Mrs. Carter's comment being that the man she expected to have the most trouble with turned out to be the easiest to handle. I offered her, and she accepted $2,000 for her interest in the business. She would liked to have continued in the business, but I insisted that in the end of two years I did not intend to have a partner; my reason for this step being that it put me in a position to dictate and arrange my affairs as affecting the shop as I saw fit. Although the first cost of the shop was $4,000, I had made up my mind not to stop here, but to place on it some extensive improvements. Since the day, April 18, 1885, when we opened our place of business, then by far the finest that Indianapolis had ever seen, at an expense of $4,000, I have spent upon it in beautifying, re-arranging, re-fitting with modern appliances, etc., $10,000. The barber shop proper, distinct from the ladies' department, gives employment to twenty-seven people. In my barber business alone in the city of Indianapolis I give employment to forty people.

In 1888 I was chosen by Simpson Chapel congregation as a delegate to the annual conference of the M. E. church which was held that year in March in Cincinnati. By this conference I was honored by being elected a lay delegate to the great General Conference of that church, held in New York City in the month of May, 1888. Of the part I took in that great meeting, the impressions it made upon me, and I upon it, if any, I shall speak in a succeeding number.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Corner-stone Laid.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Elder Frederick Myers and Elder Jas. Randall arrived in the city on the 20th ult. Manuel Carter, Miss Ollie Carter of Leeper, and Hence Whirley of St Louis attended the services of the laying of the corner-stone of Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church. The edifice newly erected is a most magnificent and grand structure, handsomely ornamented, and has a large seating capacity. The G. U. O. of O. F., K. of P's. and Tent of the Knights of Tabor turned out in full dress regalia and uniforms, presenting a most gorgeous parade. After the ceremonies performed by Bishop Jas. A. Handy a contribution of $50.58 was taken up. Bishop A. Handy preached at 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pink Hople married Miss Geneva Whitesides on the 21st ult., after services at Pleasant Hill Baptist church. Messrs. A. Buliner, H. M. Favell, and D. J. Townsend left Sunday night July 21st for St. Joseph to attend the Grand Session of the K. of P's. Richard Phillips returned from Prize Point, Miss., on the 23rd ult. Miss Siss Marilee left for her home at Commerce and Johnny Richardson for Charleston on the 25th ult. Rev. Jones of Cape Girardeau arrived in the city on the 26th ult. Mrs. Mattie Blackburn left for her home at Commerce, and Miss Fanny Whirley returned to Charleston on the 27th.

Personal Mention.

South Charleston, O., Special.

The literary feature in the Christian Endeavor is predominant. Rev. Doctor S. Moten, B. D., of Shorter Chapel preached Sunday morning and evening. Extra interesting services in the evening in the Endeavor, etc also at the North Street A. M. E. church camp meeting, Springfield, O., one evening last week. The Rev. Moten will preach at the London, O., campmeeting, Sunday next by special request. Subject, "Do what you can." Rev. W. H. Artis, the revivalist, is the guest of Mrs. Elsie T. Winslow and family. Pearl Winslow and Rev. Moten enjoyed a pleasant entertainment at the Misses Roberts recently. Rev. Dr. Moten preached for his Lee Chapel congregation Wednesday evening. Everybody should, and the Afro-American really and racially ought to subscribe for the always readable and reliable Freeman while it is almost given to the reading public for a few days at 75c a year.

Deeply in Love.

KANSAS CITY, MO., July 27, 1895.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Dear Sir—I am pleased to hand you herewith my subscription to The Freeman, the race's greatest advocate, to date from Sept. 1895 to Sept. 1896. When I say to you I have on file in my home beautifully bound in yearly volumes a copy of every issue of the "Great Illustrated" rom Oct. 1889 to present date, you may judge just how much I am in love with The Freeman.

Yours for good journalism,

JNO. J. THOMAS,

Shipping Clerk for S. & F.

Lost Relative.

I am anxious to know the whereabouts of my uncle Willis Staten. The last I heard from him, (four years ago) he was living at, or near Minshall, Ind. His oldest daughter, Alice Verta, prior to them, had been living at Crawfordsville, Ind. About the time mentioned above, she wrote to me, that her mother, (aunt Harriette, wife of Willis Staten) had deceased, and she had gone to her father's to stay, I have written many letters to them, at Minshall, Ind., and at Crawfordsville, Ind., since that date, but have not, as yet, heard anything from them. Any one knowing their where abouts will confer a great favor, by informing Simon P. Randolph, Jr., Steeles store, Brazos county, Texas.

Teachers' Literary Entertainment.

Calvert, Tex., Special.

The Teachers' Literary entertainment, conducted by Prof. L S. Miller, at Bethel Baptist church Monday night, the 22d, ult., was a grand affair. Opened with prayer by Rev. L. J. Massey; singing by choir; solo, Miss Mary Raynor; welcome address by Prof. W. R. Patterson; singing by choir; response by Prof. W. D. Porter; "The Normal," by Prof. N. T. Walker; singing by the choir; declamation by Prof. L. L Thompson; singing by choir. Miss Catherine McGower, who has been attending Tillotson Institute, Austin, Tex., has just arrived in the city. Mrs. Nellie Foster, who has been attending the Normal at Waco, Tex., has returned home to attend the Normal Mrs Chloe Woods, formerly of this city, but now of Houston, is visiting relatives. Miss Jennie Shepherd and Preston Humble were married on Thursday evening, the 25th, ult., Rev. J. B. Raynor officiating. The wedding was held at the residence of the groom's brother, Jake Curtis, and was quite a brilliant affair. The couple left the next day for Bryan, where they will spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Humble. A Coleman has returned from Martin, where he has been engaged in the tailoring business. The A. M. E. church having been painted and papered inside last week, is now one of the most magnificent churches of the race in the city. Its worthy pastor, Rev. A. Crawford, deserves much credit for his untiring energy in the upbuilding of the church. Bishop Lee preached an excellent sermon at the A. M. E. church last Sunday, the 28th, ult. J. H. Hutchinson's shaving parlor is one of the nicest in the city, and will do nice work. Give them a call. The teachers are coming in every day to the Normal. The prospects are good for a large attendance.

A Reception Tendered.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Miss Lucinda Wilson is teaching. Mrs. M. B. Gaines and Co , of Pittsburg, Pa., played to very large audiences last week. Rev. P. E. White of the M. E. church is teaching on his last quarter. The learned divine preached a very able sermon on the 28th inst. A party was given at the domicile of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Evans in honor of Mrs. D. M. Crossthwaite and Miss H. V. Smith of Nashville. Misses Jimmie Russel, Sancher, Reed, Leler, Greer, and Cora McKinney of the same city, and S. Webster of Wartrace, and many other young ladies and gentlemen attended. They engaged in dancing until an early hour of the morning. Supper was served at the proper time which consisted of the delicacies of the season. All left well pleased. Gen. John B. Gordon lectured to a crowded house on the 25th. Mrs. A. R. Winter returned from Nashville last week. Mrs. E. L. Peacock went to the City of Rocks on the 27th. Rev. J. A. Jones went to the District Conference on the 26th. He will go to see his mother before returning. His sister returned home on the 23rd. Prof. R. G. Daniel made a speech at a town near Unionville on the 28th. The twelve clubs are working very hard to get money to repair the Mt. Zion Baptist church. The work is moving on very well with the A. M. E. church. Many whites attended the meeting held by Prof. J. C. McAdams at the court house last week and spoke of him as being very smart. W. H. Gosling has purchased another very valuable lot adjoining his property. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

They Will Celebrate.

Morgantown, W. Va., Special.

The Emancipation committee are making all arrangements to show their visitors a grand time September 24th, as this celebration will be the first ever held in this county. The Freeman will contain a full account Mesdames L. J. Holland, Lamon Harris, Wash Holt and Mrs. R. E. Jenkins are numbered among the sick this week. J. H Hunt was at Banning Station, Pa , on a business trip this week. Messrs. T. C. Blue and Wm. Speakes, head and second waiter at Mont Chateau Hotel at Una spent a few hours home visiting friends and also subscribed for the great race paper, The Freeman. Charley Robinson of Uniontown, Pa., is visiting friends here. Mrs. Robert Hamilton is lying very low. The members of the M. E. and A. M. E. churches should look after the old lady in her affliction. Miss Alice Mandexter of Uniontown, Pa., is a guest at the Mont Chateau Hotel. Messrs. Richard Cheatham and J. H. Hunt spent the day at Point Marion, Pa. The M. E. congregation will not hold campmeeting this year, but will hold a one-day meeting at Round Bottom.

The Fairmont (white) Brass Band has been secured to play here for the Emancipation celebration Sept. 24th. A. G. Smith will take charge of our public school this year. Mrs. Leanna Hunt will move her residence from Maine to Front street. Rev. Eli McKnight, pastor of the A. M. E. church will hold a three week's campmeeting at Morris Cross Roads, Pa., commencing August 4th. Lamond Harris is visiting friends at Parkersburg. Miss Lucy Coston entertained a few friends Friday night. Those present were: Misses Mary and Jessie Holland, Pauline and Maud Blue, and Robert Pickard. Wm. Holland has been serving as head caterer at Gans Hotel, Morris Cross Roads this week. On the evening of the 26th a grand reception was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson in the East End. The evening was spent in games and plays of various kinds, after which there was a fine menu served. Those present were Misses Emma Jackson, Mary Boggus, Ella McKnight, Hannah Edwards, Jennie Harris, Messrs. W. P. Clark, Burnett Anderson, Abraham Coston, Adam Hedrick, Lamon Harris and Mr. Hanshaw of Pittsburg.

Personal Notes.

Alton, Ill., Special.

G. W. Wooden, grand master of the state will visit us several days next week. The camp meeting which has been in progress for two weeks has been well attended. The annual picnic of the U. B F. and S. M. T., will take place August 1st, at Morris Grove. We will give a full sketch of the Lovejoy Association in our next writing.

To Aid the Sufferers.

South McAlister, I. T. Special.

The P. E. of the A. M. E. church is appealing to the general public for our suffering people in Oklahoma. Any one sending help can send to Rev. E. M. Argyle, Guthrie, O. T.. Rev. J. E. Weir, Elreno, O T. The whites sending aid do not help our people and they need help

REV. WM. B. JOHNSON,

July 30th 1895.

A GIFTED HARPIST.

Miss Hart, the Indianapolis Musician, Meets Generous Recognition.

Miss Myrtle Hart, the only colored harpist in the world, is in Chicago.

She came here with her father, Prof. Henry Hart, took part in a musical program at Quinn Chapel last week, and returned afterwards to Wawasee, Ind., where she and her father and sister nightly furnish music for the entertainment of the guests at Wawasee Inn, a pretty summer resort.

Miss Hart is an Indiana girl, born in Evansville and raised and educated in Indianapolis, and, although this was the first time she had ever played before a colored audience in Chicago, it was not the first time that she had been heard here, for she played in the British exhibit at the World's Fair and the costly instrument upon which she performed at Quinn Chapel was exhibited by its manufacturers in the Columbian Exposition.

All the members of the family are violinists, and the father, Prof. Henry Hart, is one of the best known colored musicians in the United States. Besides, he performs upon several other instruments and was his daughter's first teacher on the harp. After acquiring a general knowledge on the harp from her father, Miss Hart came to Chicago and studied for three years under Edmond Schuecker, formerly professor of the harp at Leipsic, Germany, and is now harp soloist in Theodore Thomas' orchestra.

A Daily News reporter found Miss Hart very approachable just before her rehearsal at Quinn Chapel. She said: "I have been playing since my babyhood—almost. In fact, I can't remember when I learned music. I first played the piano, then learned the harp. I play only by inspiration. I can do nothing unless inspired. All the members of my family are musicians—and girls, except my father and sister Willie. She's a boy. That is, we wanted her to be one and she wasn't, so we named her for one anyway. It's dreadful to be without a big brother. And, say, there's one thing I wish you to add: Please say that I don't like the "new woman," hate bloomers and haven't read "Trilby " No, I don't believe the harp will ever become as popular as the piano, because it is too difficult to learn "

Nevertheless, the talented young woman is very much in love with her harp, and has thoroughly mastered it. Her playing is marked by brilliant execution, pure tones and extreme delicacy of touch. Her fingering is graceful and easy. Her pieces last night were. "Fantasie Brilliante," by Parrish-Alvars; "Morceau," by Oberthur, and a harp accompaniment to a tenor solo by George Henderson, a popular colored singer. She gave as encores: "The Bohemian Girl," and "The Last Rose of Summer."

Miss Hart is a beautiful and accomplished young woman, with scarcely enough Negro blood to reveal her nationality. She is tall and very graceful, and her eyes dance with girlish merriment. She has the kind of lips that nestling poets generally designate as "cherries," and her abundant mass of wavy, brown hair is as light as the average blonde's.

The Hart family consist of father, mother and five daughters, one of whom is married and lives in Chicago. The family home is in Indianapolis. Prof. Hart is one of the wealthiest colored citizens of the Hoosier Capital, and is very influential there—Chicago News.

Bethel Church in a Bad Way.

Baton Rouge, La., Special.

The dissatisfaction among the members of Bethel church on account of the loose or careless manner in which the finances have been handled by the heads is steadily growing, bordering almost on a rupture that will take cool heads to obviate. The books have been badly kept, and, we are told, that a very unsatisfactory account was given of the money raised in the last three or four years. The pink ice given by the Harper Volunteers, at Mrs. Heedley's, was a very pretty affair. The little ones looked lovely in their dresses of pink as they flitted about by the light of a score of Chinese lanterns. The large yard was splendidly arranged, and with its great spreading trees and the many colors seemed to blend into a magnificent picture. The Southern Cornet band discoursed sweet music on the occasion and the children danced to their hearts content. To Mrs. George Washington. Susan Heedly and J. Bell is indebted the success of the affair. Miss Lizzie Nelson, one of the teachers in the city school, left last week for Washington, D. C., where she goes to spend the summer with Mrs. J. B. Askins. Mizpah Lodge 2045, G. U. O. of O. F. gave an excursion to Plaquemine on the 15th, the occasion being the anniversary of the Pride of Iberville Lodge. P. N. F., Wm. Duplessis, of Mizpah, was orator of the day. The entertainment given for the benefit of Bethel A. M. E. church by a number of young ladies did not turn out as well as expected, on account of the inclement weather. Miss L. V. Holt, after several months stay, left Thursday on the city of Hickman for St. Louis to spend a month. While there she will be the guest of Mrs. Lettie Caraway, 2223 Chestnut street. The terribly depressive feeling caused by this hot weather has been relieved by a number of showers. A number of society events are on the tapis and we can hold ourselves in readiness for anything and almost anytime. We think we saw tears welling up in our friends eyes when Miss Holt left.

A Successful Concert.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Miss Alice Farrow left for Nashville this week accompanied by Mrs. Chas. Barnes. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caloway a fine boy. Miss E. Caldwell of Nashville is in the city the guest of Miss A. Taylor on Early street. Hurbert Councill was in the city Sunday from Huntsville, Ala. C. E. Newton, The Freeman agent, was on the sick list last week. Mrs. Rowan on Leonard street is improving very fast since Dr. Rice has visited her from Cincinnati. There was quite a large excursion in the city last week from Ashville N. C. The musical concert at the Congregational church Thursday evening under the auspices of Miss Mayme P. Caloway was quite a success. The solos by Miss Caloway and Farrow of Nashville, who assisted her, were more than excellent and the duett was also rich and full of melody. All other participants deserve special mention, but space will not permit it. Master Jimmie Winkley of New York, recited and it would have taken an elocutionist to have excelled him. It is probable that it will be repeated in the near future. Rev. M. Vann has returned from the convention held in Clarksville, Tenn., last week. Rev. G. W. Parks of Knoxville, was in the city last week. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at Dr. O. W. James' drug store, C. E. Newton agent. If you have news items for The Freeman leave them at the drug store before Sunday of each week to insure publication in the current issue. Five cents pays for The Freeman a week. Let us have your subscription.

Open to the Public.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The gospel ship left the wharf on last Sunday with a large crowd on board for Cairo, Ill. Services were conducted by Rev. Stanford of Burks Chapel and Rev. Jones of the C. M E. church. The Washington St. Baptist church will be thrown open to the public on the first Sunday in August, when a grand rally will take place. The General Association of Baptists will convene here on August 13th, indications point to a large attendance. A party of young people from Mayfield, Ky., will arrive here on the morning of the 5th to take in the big St. Louis excursion. Alfred Hale, a well known young man, was fatally stabbed by Henry Bush on last Sunday during the progress of a game of base ball. Hale expired in a few moments. Miss Maud Mansfield is visiting friends in Springfield, O. Mrs. Mahala Reeves of Massac county Illinois, is visiting her daughter, Louisa Bradshaw on Jackson street The Opera company will soon begin rehearsals on their new play, the cast will include twenty-five people The Freeman for sale every Saturday at 419 Jackson street.

From the Field of Sport.

The Herculeans defeated the Knightstown team Monday by a score of 21 to 9.

Frank Gillespie, official handicapper of the Douglass Cycling club of Chicago, was criticised severely for the way he handicapped the riders in the road-race last Saturday.

Henry Stewart, the St. Louis wheelman who participated in the road-race of Chicago last Saturday and finished one second behind "Major" Taylor the Indianapolis "crack" is a "fast man," and will make his mark in the racing world.

Billy McClain, an old Indianapolis boy, but now of Brooklyn, N. Y., is playing with Davis and Klough Suwanee River Co. Mr McClain is author of the play, and it is said to be the greatest colored show that was ever produced, the scenery costing $40,000.

The Herculean ball team defeated the crack New Castle team in two hotly contested games last Wednesday and Thursday by the scores of 5 to 4 and 3 to 1. The "Herks" have not been defeated this season, and are very anxious to meet the unbeaten Unions of Chicago.

The ten-mile-road-race given by the Douglass Cycling club of Chicago last Saturday was won by S. Carroll Huddell of Chicago, who had a handicap of three minutes, "Major" Taylor the Indianapolis flyer and scratch man, winning the time prize in 27 minutes and 52 seconds. The race started at Fifty-fifth and Halstead avenue and was witnessed by several thousand people.

Wedding Bells.

Greencastle, Ind., Special.

The St. Paul Baptist church had their basket meeting in a beautiful grove near by. A pleasant time was had during the day meeting conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. D Leonard. Collection $12.00. The marriage of Mr. James Milem and Mrs. Mathey S. Alexander was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hicks, 291 Pleasant street, July 24th. Relatives and a few friends witnessed the marriage. Many valuable presents were given. Rev. R. D. Leonard performed the ceremony.

DELIGHTFUL SUMMER RESORT.

The Hotel Waiters' First Grand Ball—The "400" in Attendance.

Mackinac Island, Mich., Special.

Everything is booming now in this delightful summer resort, and the season is at its height Everyone seems bent upon extracting all the pleasure and fun there is in it; in fact, it forms an interesting study to watch how rich people will work real hard for the sake of the fun there is in it. They have their cycling, boating, fishing, picnic, yachting and dancing parties, and then there are the wagon, hay, mountain and dray parties, which seem to delight the younger element of resorts; yet the avowed purpose of these people in coming to Mackinac is for rest and recuperation. Colored people? Well, yes, they are here too, to the extent of nearly two hundred; one hundred and thirty of whom are employed at the Mountain Grand Hotel.

The Grand Hotel waiters gave their first grand ball the 22d ult , and it was a grand success There were many of the distinguished guests of the Grand hotel present and took part in the first waltz. Among the waiters' "400" present were: T. J. Utley, of Cincinnati, and Miss Rosa Bean, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Frank Douglass, of Louisville, and Miss Mamie Allison, of Grand Rapids; R. W. Wallace, of Cincinnati, and Miss M Stanford, of Kalamazoo; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brooks, of Detroit. S. L. Bledsoe, head waiter, and Louis Huey, second waiter of the Grand, seemed to enjoy the excellent music furnished by the Waiters' orchestra. A most excellent banquet was served by Mrs. Ford, of the Bland restaurant. Messrs J. H. Burns and J. D. Campbell were directors of the grand affair.

The colored elite will have another good time Aug. 5th, when the waiters will give their second grand ball. Among the many strangers within our gates, are Messrs. G. Simms, Clark Duncan, A. J. Young, of Springfield, Ill., the home of the inevitable Dr. Henderson; Frank Douglass and B. Barber, of Louisville; Dr S. A. Level, of Hot Springs; Chas. A. Warren, J. H. Wilson and wife, Lula Allison, of Grand Rapids; Henry Williams, of Detroit; W. H. Jones, of Lansing; Wm. Phillips, of Lima, O ; George Ware, of Windsor, Ont ; George Stocton. The ladies are here in large numbers also. Among them are, Mesdames L. A. Davis, of Chicago; Morris, of Detroit; Misses Merrill Ambey and Sarah Foster, of Kalamazoo, and many others; your representative being somewhat bashful, has not learned their names. The Freeman is for sale at Warren's barber shop, and by J. D. Campbell, of the Grand hotel.

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For the wrongs that need resistance
For the future in the distance
And the good that they can do."
Is your home unhappy?
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Is your lover inconstant?
Are you followed by bad luck?
Is your business not prosperous?
Have you any enemies?

In short, is the dark wing of adversity hovering round your daily life barring you from the golden sunshine of peace, love, contentment, and prosperity? If so, remember that you may find a true explanation of all your troubles and a speedy and permanent relief by calling on these naturaly endowed and scientifically cultivated men of miracles. Many a blighted home has been made the sanctum of love and happiness. Many a mother, wife, husband and father has been rescued from the road to ruin by their kind advise and timely aid. Many hundreds of girls who were once homeless hopeless and friendless, robbed of all but a sad rememberance of their once happy lives, have been shown the way to an honorable and prosperous life, and now are wives of honorable successful men. When fortune frowns upon your efforts, your friends pass coldly by. And "all the world seems sad and dreary," remember there are those to whom the great God of nature has given the power to aid you in any trouble or anxiety that may come upon you. Come and find a solace in their aid.

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Blind Tom's sister. Dollie Tyson, died at her home in Columbus, Ga., recently at the age of 70 years.

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Mrs. John L. Waller, wife of the ex-Consul is bearing up with admirable fortitude during her most trying ordeal.

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John S. Collins, the Negro who shot and killed Frederick Ohl, a college student at Princeton, N. J., last June was sentenced to twenty years at hard labor in the State Prison.

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Rev. F. G. Davis, General Superintendent of Missions will hold a mass meeting and rally at Samaria church, Waxahachie, Tex., beginning August 15th and ending the 18th.

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The colored women of Topeka, Kan., have completed an organization known as the Independent Woman's League. Its purpose is to bring about better conditions among the masses of our people.

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Hon. John P Green of Ohio sailed for Europe last Sunday. This is the ex-Senator's second trip to Europe. Prof. W. H. Councill and Bishop A. Grant have also left for a trip to Rome and other European cities

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Wm. Taylor, colored, was executed in the Ohio Penitentiary last week by hanging for the murder of Isaac Yoakum an aged farmer of Franklin Co., O. When the warden read the death warrant to Taylor he laughed and chatted about it, taking all very coolly.

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One of the best features of the recent Christian Endeavor Convention held in Boston was the absence of race distinctions. The colored delegates from the South and elsewhere were treated exactly like the white delegates and given the same privileges and opportunities. Some of the leading citizens of Boston invited colored delegates to their homes to enjoy their hospitality.

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It is about time the United States was taking some steps in the matter of the unfortunate Negro colonists, who are held in slavery in the state of Durango, Mex. Several reports of their wretched condition have come to public notice of late through escaped Negroes from there. Dr. H. Follenger, a prominent physician of San Antonio, was recently sent down there to investigate the matter, and he reports that the half has not been told.

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Dr. J. W. Washington, one of the most prominent colored men of that city, died last week at his residence in Terre Haute, Ind. He became overheated and was taken to his bed. Being a Christian Scientist he refused to have medical attendance. Dr. Washington was born in West Virginia Nov. 14, 1834. For ten or fifteen years he practiced medicine in Chicago and then came to Terre Haute. He soon became very influential among the colored people there and was prominent in political and social circles among his fellow countrymen. In the spring of 1891 he began to edit and publish the Afro-American Journal. He was a member of the Prince Hall Lodge of Masons, and was intending to attend the Grand Lodge meeting at Muncie this month.

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A party of a dozen Chicago Negroes, headed by "Commodore" Bongee, started from that city the other day for Africa, where they will devote their energies to Christianizing the natives and picking up diamonds. Bongee claims to be a son of the king of Bongee, in the Congo country. Six years ago he came to this country. At that time he was unable to speak a word of any language save his native tongue, but now, after a course of studies, be can speak English and German fluently. When he came here he had a pocketful of diamonds, and he says there are more where he came from. The party seems to be well supplied with money. They also carry with them a case of rifles, a large lot of six-shooters, and a thousand rounds of ammunition.

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A hospital from which no person—patient or practitioner—shall ever be excluded because of race, color or creed is about to be erected in New York City by the Afro-Americans of both that city and Brooklyn. The last step was taken when T. McCants Stewart, the colored lawyer, appeared before Justice O'Brien in the Supreme Court, who as a matter of form, signed his approval of the certificate of incorporation of the McDonough Memorial Hospital Association. This charitable organization is the first to be founded under the new laws of 1894, chapter 256, which calls for the examination and approval of the State Board of Charities. For a number of years the Afro-Americans of New York and Brooklyn have felt that a hospital which knew neither race nor color was needed. They desired an institution to which colored people should be admitted without question, but from which at the same time the people of no other race should be excluded. The new hospital will be managed mainly by colored persons, and will be located on the West Side in New York, at some point between Twenty-third and Seventy-second streets within some district largely populated by colored people. A site is even now being looked for, and the work of erecting a suitable building will begin the moment it is selected. It is expected to maintain the hospital by voluntary contributions. Already assurances of substantial contributions have been made—a wealthy friend of one of the incorporators having promised to fit up the dispensary department of the new hospital, and another the department of surgery.

Emancipation Celebration.

Temple, Texas, Special.

The Emancipation Celebration was held Friday and Saturday of last week. Quite a concourse of people greeted the occasion. The procession having formed itself into an attractive line of march, headed by the Silver Cornet band of Waco, and following closely thereto by the Seven Star band of this city, wended its way to the beautiful Kellar's Park west of the city, at which place all kinds of games and amusements were indulged in. The colored people of this city are much noted for thrift, enterprise and hospitality and as entertainers they are unequaled. Messrs. Pettegrew, Anderson, Coleman, Hall, Murphy, Woods, Shanklin and Fuller are some of the most prominent men of the city. Miss Annie G. Drake, the alto singer of Mary Allen Seminary is here on a visit from Chapel Hill. She is stopping with her friend, Mrs, Hattie E. Shanklin. Mrs. Shanklin is the leading soloist of the city. Rev. L. W. Mackey of the Baptist church, baptized three yesterday. Rev. Mackey of the Baptist church, Rev Taylor of the A. M. E. church, Rev. Simpson of the C. M. E. church, and Rev. Carter of the M. E. church are all intelligent and refined ministers. The Seven Star Cornet band is fast reaching the mark of perfection under the direction of Prof. A. C. Frilot, of New Orleans. Mr. Smith of the Waco Searchlight, has been working in this city in the interest of his paper. This people being somewhat acquainted with The Freeman, and knowing of its unequaled value were highly elated over its visit last week, and said in one common accent "long live The Freeman."

Annual Address.

Stephens, Ark., Special.

Magnolia S. S., and Missionary Convention convened in Emanuel A. M E church. McNeil, Ark. Rev. G. G. Baker presiding. After dinner service the P. E, Rev. G. G. Baker, delivered his annual address. Rev. J. E. Pennington and J. B. Dorch were elected secretaries. The first day, July 17, was spent in making the financial report. Money collected for education, $20; contingent, $13, Missionary money, $8, total $41. Rev. Rey preached the annual sermon Wednesday night. J. E. Pennington preached Thursday night. C. B. Spearman preached Friday night. Wm. Winston preached the Missionary sermon Saturday night. The papers read by Rev's. D. K Turner, C. B. Spearman, J. R Harris and Wm. Winston were a credit to the church and race. Saturday was given to the laidies as Missionary day. Mrs. Presiding Elder, K. A. Baker, presiding. J. T. Blakely, secretary; Mrs. A. E. Winston, vice president. After religious services the chairman delivered her annual address to the convention. The papers read by Messrs D. K. Turner, A. E. Winston and J. R. Harris were a credit to the church and race. The Magnolia district is a live on all departments of the church and will lead this coming conference in November.

Personal Mention.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.

The revival at Visitor's Chapel is progressing nicely. Rev. Glenn Robinson of Gurden and Rev. Gordon of Austin, Tex, rendered assistance this week. Rev. R L. Williams, formerly pastor Roanoke and Mt, Canaan churches is in the city this week There was a new literary society organized here last week known as "The Hot Springs Oratorial League. We regret to chronicle the deaths of Mrs. America Dumas, Miss Julia Hill and Dr. Williams. The "bike" tourament at Whittington Park on last Friday, under the auspices of Prof. Geo. Crittendon's bicycle club was a grand affair. "Rastus" carried the day. A revival is in session at New Prospect church in South Hot Springs. Miss Haskins of Texarkana, is manager of Puckett and company's establishment on Malvern Avenue. Mrs Sallie Lawrence and Miss Lizzie Kellum of St. Paul, Minn., are in the city to spend the summer with their father, Alfred Kellum Rev. S. M. Fisher of St. Paul Baptist church returned home this week

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Society and Personal Notes.

Calvert, Texas, Special.

Prof. M. N. Broyles, principal of Hearne Academy and editor of the Independent, was in the city last Friday, the 19th. Dr. J. T. Hill and the delegates, Misses Julia Brown and Rutha Bryant, have returned from the Sunday School convention at Caldwell Hon. A. Asberry is a coming politician. Rev. N. H. Davis has just finished painting the U. B. of F. hall. It is admired by all who see it. Prof. J. O. Eldridge is convalescing. Prof. H. H Thompson and wife have returned from the Association at Caldwell. Prof. H. H. is one of our leading teachers of Robertson county. Dr. J. T. Hill owns one of the best colored drug stores in the State. W. N. Parker, agent of the Baptist Herald, of Austin, is now in Cameron. Mr. Parker is one among the most energetic and pushing young men of Texas. It is reported that Louis Hester is to be married to Miss Mattie Butts, of Hammond, very soon. W. E. Walker, formerly of Calvert but now of Martin, was here last week visiting his sick mother. The M. E. singing choir will soon be able to compete with any in the State. The Normal convened in the public school building on the 22nd with a creditable corps of teachers. C. A. Taylor has a first-class barber shop. The Bethel Baptist church is a magnificent church. O. C. Doggett is a first-class shoe maker. Commissioner I. I. Coleman, J. S. Smith, Wade Morrow and M Batts are our leading colored farmers in Roberson county. They own their own land, stock, etc, and all they have to do is to make their own cotton and corn The barber's sermon will be preached at the M. E. church the third Sunday in August, after which they will give a grand entertainment. Call at B E. Hendricks' restaurant. Prof. N. N. Thompson leaves for San Antonio and from there to Galveston on or about the 16th. We have several prominent colored men in Calvert of which we are going to give their histories and cuts in the near future. Rev J. B. Raynor, A. Asberry and L S. Miller are among the number. D. W. White, C. N. Terrell, O. Ford and A. Adams are the best colored carpenters in the county, second to none in the State. Rev N. Herrald, pastor of Independent Baptist church, is attending all the associations that convenes in Texas.

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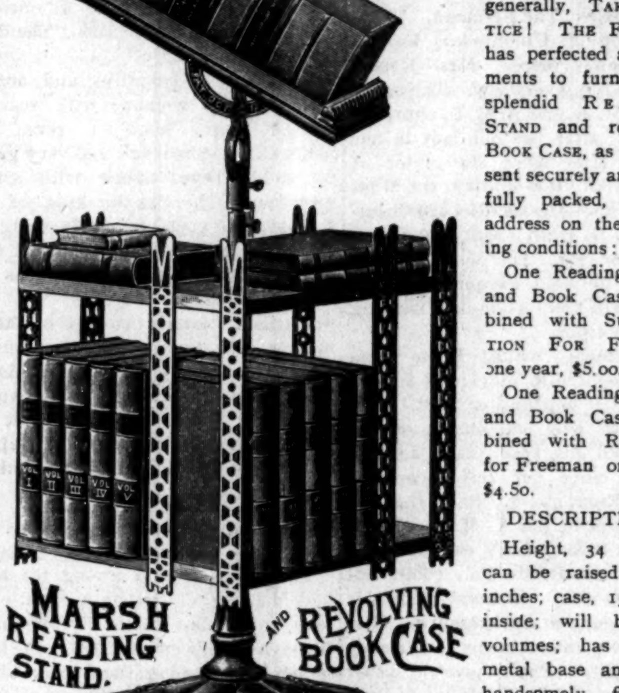

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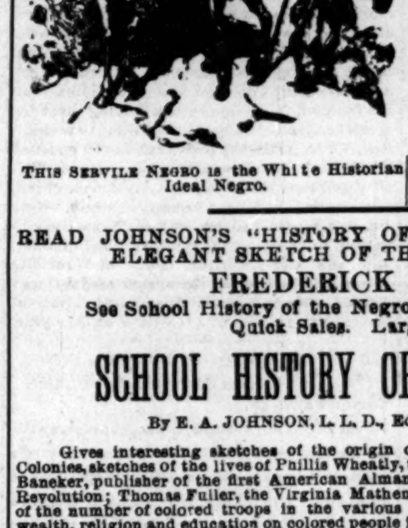

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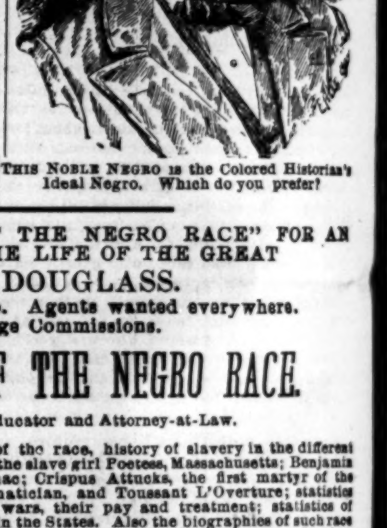

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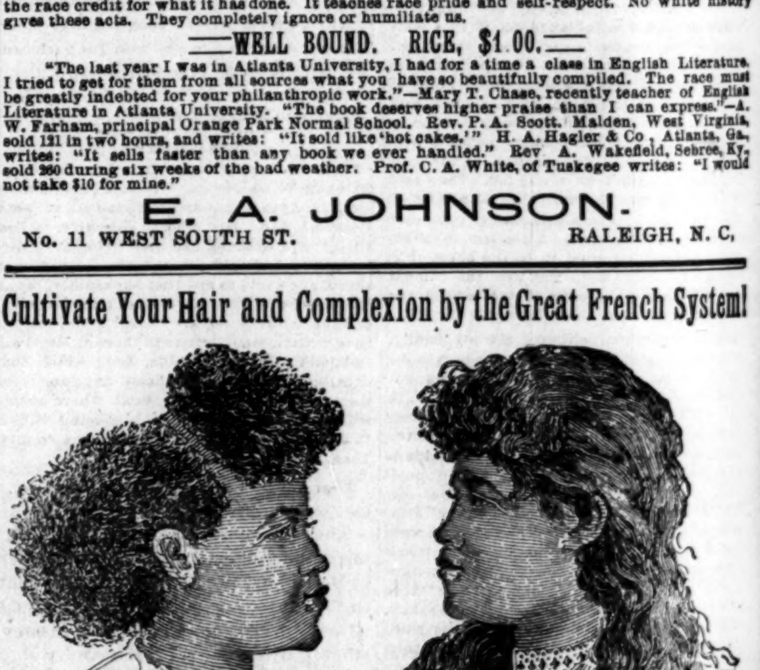

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By the peevish temper, the frowning face,
The hopes that go and the cares that stay.

A day is too short to be spent in vain:
Some good should come as the hours go by—
Some tangled maze may be made more plain,
Some lowering glance may be raised on high
And life is too short to spoil like this,
If only a prelude it may be sweet;
Let us bind together its threads of bliss,
And nourish the flowers around our feet."

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Slice green tomatoes thin, dust with flour and fry brown in butter, turning them that both sides may be brown.

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A dish of hot, well cooked oatmeal, mixed with chopped dates or figs, is at present the form of fruit and cereal meeting with most approval from several food specialists.

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Do not throw the shell of a pineapple or Edam cheese away but bake macaroni in it the usual way and then mix with cream sauce. Send to the table in the shell, which should be placed on a napkin and served on a flat plate.

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The Woman's Era Club of Boston, convened in that city July 29th, 30th and 31st, on all matters touching the best interests and wellfare of our women. The Woman's Loyal Union of N. Y. is in perfect accord with the movement.

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A delicate addition to the tea table is known as nutted dates. The dates are stoned and filled with the whole meat of the English walnut. This makes a sweet-meat both novel and acceptable and peculiarly adapted to the 5 o'clock affairs.

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Belts may be of silk, ribbon or leather. Seal or snake skin belts with silver buckles are liked for outing or traveling wear, and very often have bags to match put upon them, but for an elaborate waists a leather belt is not considered in good taste.

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For wear with untrimmed bodices there are shown large flaring collars and cuffs of dead white embroidery trimmed with butter-colored Valenciennes lace. These are pretty, and as they stand laundering well, really give, in wear, their money's worth.

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A belt and collar of gold braid caught with cut jet hooks and eyes are in vogue, and may be worn with any dark-colored or all-white bodice. The collar is formed of gold braid a little over an inch wide, while the belt is two inches wide and the clasps are selected to suit the width of each.

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If green blinds are dingy and faded, wash and rub on a little sweet-oil.

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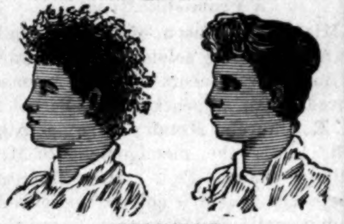

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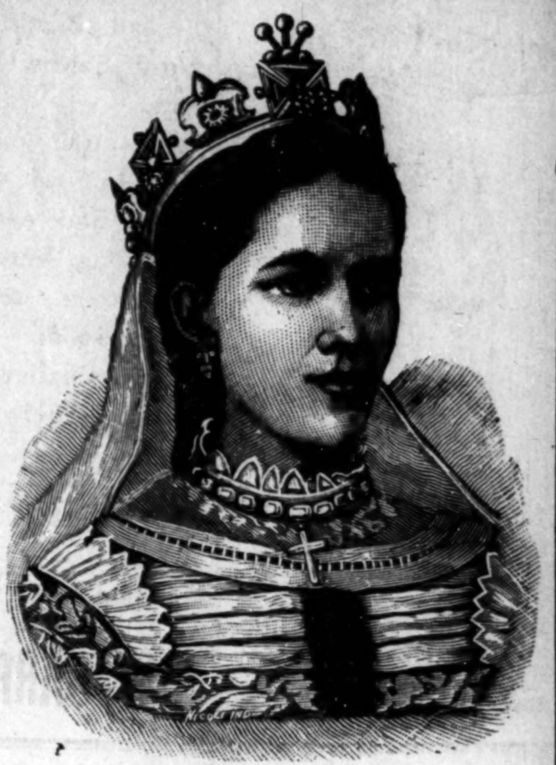

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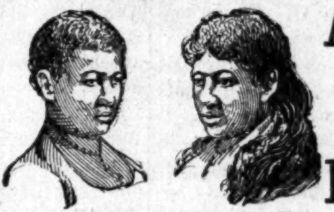

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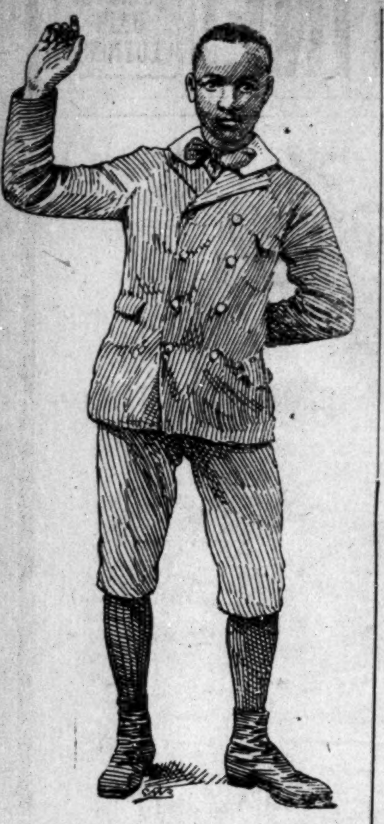

Rev. Charley Johnson.

The last Basket Meeting of the season will be held under the auspices of the Second Baptist Church, at North Salem, Indiana, Aug. 18th.

The train on the I. D. & W. Railroad will leave the Union Station at 9:30 a. m. Returning, leave the Park at 5:00 p. m., arriving in the city at 6 p. m.

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Mrs. Mollie Jones of Logansport, is in the city.

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Mrs. Willis Bryant is visiting friends at New Albany.

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Elwood Knox, of The Freeman, was in Chicago Saturday.

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Clarence Dunlap has accepted a position in Plainfield, Ind.

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H. Adams, of Bloomington, Ind., was in the city last Saturday.

Scipio Highbald is lying dangerously ill at his Irvington home.

The Posey sisters are visiting friends and relatives in New Castle, Ky.

Hear Prof. R. Byron Shelton, Bethel Testimonial Monday August 5th.

"Major" Taylor rode in the ten mile road race at Chicago last Saturday.

Willie Sweeney of Chicago, Ill, is visiting relatives and friends here this week

Special price on best Cabinets at Bennett's only $1 00 per dozen—best come and sit now.

The Mt. Pilgrim Baptist church are holding tent meeting on the South Side.

A grand concert came off at Blackford street, church on last Tuesday night.

Mr. Beck, of Wabash, Ind., spent last Sunday in the city, the guest of his brother.

Prof. Gurley Brewer of Vincennes, Ind., spent several days of this week in the city.

Charles Stewart passed through the city last week enroute to his home, in Chicago.

A. Myrtle Harris of The Freeman force will spend Sunday in Whiteland.

Hear Miss Nettie Maud Christy at the Bethel Testimonial Monday evening August 5th.

Go to Frank H. Rupert's, opposite Bates House, for rock-bottom prices.

Mrs. Ella Palmer has resigned her position as forelady at H. L. Sanders' furnishing store.

The K. O. T. Lodge and Ladies Tabernacle will have an outing at Rushville the 11th inst.

Miss Lola Johnson, of Madison, Ind., is the guest of Mrs. George L. Knox, W. Vermont street.

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Rev. A. Wakefield of Jones Tabernacle A. M. E. Zion church, has become quite popular with the congregation and citizens generally, a petition is in circulation asking the Bishop for his return during another conference year.

Mrs. L. A Newby has returned to the city after a pleasant visit to her parents in Springfield, O.

Mrs. Shoecraft of Wabash, Ind., was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Etta Shreffey last Sunday.

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Charles Chavis, brother of Dr. William H Chavis, returned home to Lafayette on last Tuesday.

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Mr. William T. Goodall, the leader of one of the city's best quartetts is becoming a famous songster.

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Miss Emma Holston, a teacher in the Normal school, Normal, Ala., was a guest of Mrs. Ellis Moore last week.

Mrs. Helen Dickson and daughter, Ollie, will entertain a few intimate friends, of the East, Sunday, August 4.

Miss Jessie Murdock, who has been the guest of Miss Katie Stevenson, 191 Linden street, for a fortnight has returned to her home in St. Louis, Mo.

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Miss Nannie Riff left last Tuesday to visit her brother in St. Paul, Minn. On returning she will visit her sister in Chicago.

Mrs. Tishia Jennings, of 131 Maple street, Mrs. Mattie Clark, of 162 Gresham street, and Miss Bessie Adams, of 589 Virginia avenue, are among the indisposed.

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Mrs Mary Booker, of 154 Gresham street, will spend the remainder of the summer visiting friends in Louisville, Kentucky.

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Rev. John T. [Preston will continue to fill the pulpit at Antioch Baptist church during the illness of Rev. J. M. Morton.

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The Indianapolis Patriarchie No. 23, will run an excursion on the 14th prox.

Rev. J. W. Carr will conduct a basket meeting at N. Salem on August the 18th.

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The Indiana Baptist Sunday-school Association held a pleasant session at New Albany during the early part of this week.

Creole Hair Braids from 25c to $1.25, sent to any part of the United States. Address Ladies Hair Parlor, Bates House, Indianapolis.

A Pleasant Surprise.

The principal members of the Simpson Chapel chorus, complimented the director, Wm. M. Lewis by surprising him at his home Friday evening. Among those attending were Mesdames Hagood, Hayden, Morgan, Miller and Beard, Misses Ewing, Bolden, Barbee, Miller and Beard, Messrs. Grisell, Miller, Mitchell and Jones.

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John Smallwood, fry cook at the Bates, is enjoying a week's vacation.

Capt. Clarence Woods, of the Bates, has just recovered from a severe illness.

The bell boys at the Grand in their grey suits make a very neat appearance

Johnnie Brewer, Jr., has been acting captain during Clarence Wood's illness.

The Denison barber shop does a fair business, and all of the employes seem to be gentlemanly fellows.

"Dude" Neil, late of the Bates, is hugging close to a fat job as janitor of one of the large business blocks.

A D. Guinn, who has charge of the help hall at the Bates, owns property at 281 S. Capitol avenue, where he lives.

Ex-Capt. Dawson, late of the Bates is now giving excellent satisfaction to the customers of Wm. Tron's restaurant on Illinois street.

Lou Peoples, the broiler and roast cook at the Bates, is a "bang up" man at his business, and has been at the one house nearly eight years.

Frank Buckner has been connected with the Bates for the past eight years. Frank is a leading member of the Antioch Baptist church.

Chas. Hall is about the greatest sport connected with the fraternity. He gets in and out of the Bates about as often as the poultry dealer.

Dan Hogan is the sweetest man in the business. He is sugar man at the Bates, and it is said has a home and wife sweeter than any sugar.

Charles Jackson came to Indianapolis in '85, and has been waiting at the Bates ever since. He is an ornament as second waiter, and is liked by the guests. Charles is a ladies' man.

Bell Captain, Sam Tandy, of the Bates, has been short of good men, as several of them belong to the I. N. G., and were in camp at Fairview, where their company attracted a great deal of attention.

One man the Grand would miss very much if he was to leave is James Brown. "Jim" as he is called, is a great church member and is the best cleaner in the city, every floor he has to attend to is as clean as any kitchen table.

For the last year the Denison has had white, head and second waiters, still they can't get along without the good old colored boys Frank Price is morning captain and George Porter and Lawn Smith are day captains.

Well known among the hotel boys is Frank Dempsie. Frank is not a fancy man but goes about his work steadily, and when upon the street looks like a well to do fellow. He had bad luck in having his watch and money stolen while on the way to a picnic a couple of weeks ago

The Albae Mentes.

A social and literary society of the South-side, which is the pride of some of our brightest young people is not sailing on the smoothest waters just now.

It seems that some great Leviathan, whose head has never mingled in these social waters, or whose aqueous ears have never heard a single rendition of one of those excellent programs, is trying with his mighty subterranean force to conduct the course and even the management of this, one of the most modern built barks of the social and literary seas. But an acquaintance with the material that constitute the different parts of this society would warrant the belief that none except its membership will be allowed to say who shall or who shall not, become bona-fide members, especially when such parties have never visited the society and know naught of its many bright endeavors. Let us help up the fallen and strengthen the weak, and thus make stronger the golden links of society. The writer of this article had the pleasure of being present at two of the meetings of this society and is frank in saying that the conduct and management is pure and a credit to our day and generation. G. E. W.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Prof. C. A. Dorsey of the Brooklyn schools and president of the "Ugly Club," the leading social club of that city, was a visitor in the city this week. The Professor is returning from a trip to the North West, and will visit his farm in Ohio on his way home.

The Work of One of Our Artists.

Through the efforts of Mrs Martha Hall a correct likeness of the Rev. John H. Clay has been presented to Bethel A. M. E. church. The picture is the work of our efficient educator, Harvey Young, of school 23. Mr. Young is noted as a fine crayon, pen and pencil artist and the members of Bethel church take this means of thanking ing him for his generous gift. The picture has been hung in the office of the church.

A Promising Event.

Miss Lola Johnson, of Madison, Ind., formerly leading soloist in the Stewart-Wilberforce Concert Co., has been secured for an appearance at Bethel A. M. E. church, Monday evening, Aug. 5th, under the management of Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox. Miss Johnson has never sung to a colored audience in Indianapolis, and it is to be hoped that the lovers of cultured singing will accord this lady the same degree of appreciation that the white people of this city have so bounteously given her on her former visits to the city. The Indianapolis Journal of Feb. 13, '95, refers to Miss Johnson's singing at the State Convention of the Lincoln League in the following language:

"But the reception given Mr. Watson was surpassed by that given Miss Viola Johnson, a young colored woman of Madison, who possesses a remarkable voice. She sang "The Bugle Call of Gettysburg," and the last melodious notes had not died away when the audience burst forth with one mighty cheer of approval Her voice seems to strike a popular chord, and she was compelled to respond to an encore. There appeared to be something appropriate in the young woman appearing on the anniversary of the man who freed her race, but it was not that alone which accounts for her reception."

Miss Johnson has traveled extensively through other states and holds many flattering testimonials. She will be supported by persons who need no introduction to the public. Miss Nettie Maud Christy, conceded to be the city's favorite vocalist, will render choice selections; also Mrs. Catherine Crossen-Harper, whose soulful notes are ever the delight of her hearers; Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox, who has just returned from a fresh harvest of laurels, will give her most popular numbers. Prof. R. Byron Shelton, the city's most pleasing baritone, Mme. Verina Gilliam-Lewis, the pleasing elocutionists, and others complete a program which in itself is a guarantee of merit. The object, to assist in the expense of the improvement of Bethel church which has made it the pride not only of the city, but of the state and of the entire conference connection, is one which appeals to the interest of the whole community, and an opportunity to assist this grand undertaking and at the same time receive an abundant equivalent will not be neglected, and to the end that no one can make reasonable complaint as to admission fee, etc. The management has departed from the popular price (25c) for this grade of entertainment and have fixed the low rate of 15 and 10 cents admission.

A Successful Affair.

The ladies of the Alpha Home Association wish to express their gratefulness to the representative people of the city who so generously patronized their picnic last Friday. It need not be said any longer that Indianapolis does not appreciate her charitable enterprises, when such people as Drs. Henderson, Hagood, Price with other eminent divines, also Hon. G. L. Knox, W. Allison Sweeney, Dr. B J. Morgan, Att'y J. T. V. Hill, Councilman Puryear, J. D. Porter, Don D. Wells, Tom C. Smith, W. T. Floyd and many others assisted. The absence of the Baptist ministers is owing to their being out of the city attending the S. S. Convention.

The ladies feel assured that with such ability at their command they cannot but succeed. We must not forget to mention the freewill offering of Prof. Franklin's band which rendered such enlivening music. To those and all others who assisted, the Association returns their heartfelt thanks. Mesdames J. T. V. Hill, Don D. Wells, Will Parks, Lizzie Johnson, committee on arrangements; Mrs W. L. Perry chairman.

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